INDIAN REMOVAL TO THE WEST, 1832–1840

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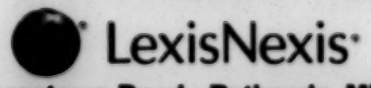

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Endorsed 41 Choctaw

Lt G. J. Rains

Fort Smith

20 Nov. 1832

Enclosing an Ltr.

for Gen.

Rec.d 14 Jany

Fort Smith
November 20th 1832

Sir

I have the honor herewith to forward a Quarterly Return of Provision and Property with my account-Current for 3d Quarter 1832.

Part of this Return is made up from papers drawn up previous to the receipt of the new Regulations, but I have endeavoured to make each one conform, as far as possible, with those Regulations.

A journey to Little Rock, which I found necessary to obtain funds, has delayed my papers a little, and at the present time I am making preparations to receive the new Emigrants

Capt. McClellan Sub agent and act agent for Choctaws requires to know of me frequently, if I have any funds for his department - which I have not, having received no instructions relative thereto, but am induced to think his necessities are very great as the calls on him are urgent for freight &c.

I am Sir
very respectfully
your mo. Obt. Servt.
G. J. Rains Lt & Disbg Agt

To Genl Geo. Gibson
Com.g Genl. Sub.
Ind. Dept Washington City

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Dr. *The* **United States,** *in Account current with* Dr. G. I. Rains Disbursing
ending the Thirtieth *day of* September 1832

DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS.	
30th June 1832	To amount Due me per last Statement	✓104	46	52
	Per Abstract of Disbursement on account of Sub.	✓406	~~97½~~	
	. . . . for Transportation	✓251	21	30
	. . . . . Contingencies	✓673	51½	
		1331	71	
September				
		✓1426		
		~~1406~~	46	

I Certify that the above accoun

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Disbursing Agent— on account of the removal and subsistence of Indians, for the Quarter

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CENTS.	DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS.
46	5 July 1832	By cash Rec.d of Capt. J. Brown Sup. of rem.s & Sub. of Indians	+ 700	00
21	30 Sept.r "	By Cash Due me	726 736	16
51½				
71				
46			1426 1436	16

the above account of monies received and expended by me in the period above stated, is just and true.

G. J. Rains
Lt. & Disbursing Agent
Clo. Rem & Sub.

ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *on Account of Subsistence by Lieut*

the removal and Subsistence of **INDIANS**, *in the Quarter ending the Thirtieth*

DATE.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	[illegible]	[illegible] & Estimated Wt.	Beef Pounds.	FLOUR Barrels.	[illegible]
1832	1	Charles Mapes	76			105	10
	2	John S McClellan					
	3						
	4	Robert Sinclair					
	5	John S McClellan					
	6	H. Coffee & Co.					
			76			105	10

Note.—*When any change is made for which there is no* **Head**, *to wit, for* **Transportation**, *it may be described in the Space for* **Remarks.**

Virgil Dabb

by Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing — Agent of the United States for

-tion

day of September 1832

C	CORN.	SALT.	RATIONS.	Issues	Weights	AMOUNTS.		
	Bush. Quarts.	Bushels. Quarts.	Number.	Pounds	Lbs.	bills	Dollars.	Cents.	
10	. .	84	4	.	20	2	24	168	35	Issued to men employed with Public Keel Boat
	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	69	45	For transporting a Public Keel Boat with Provisions for Choctaw Indians
	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	79	21½	" " " " "
	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	6	00	For hauling Corn from Public Cribs to Keel Boat for Sub. of Choctaw Indians
	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	82	21	For transporting a Public Keel Boat with Provisions for Choctaw Indians
	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	1	75	For hauling Corn to Public Keel Boat for Sub. of Choctaw Indians
10	. .	44	4	. .	20	2	24	406	97½	

[illegible] on Honor, that the above Abstract is just and true.

G. J. Rains
Lt. & Disbursing Agt
Ch. Subs & Peace

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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *for Contingencies by Lieut-*
the removal and Subsistence of **Indians,** *in the Quarter ending the Thirtieth*

DATES.	Number of Voucher.	To Whom Paid.	For what Paid.
1832	1	Samuel Shortridge	Blacksmith work
	2	Charles Mapes	Sundries
	3	H Coffee Heo	"
	4	Charles M McClellan	Services as clerk & issuing Comons.
	5	Williams Coy	Services as Public Teamster
	6	Lieut. G.L. Raines	Apt. agt. & D is. agt in cha. rems. &
	7	" " "	Transportation of Self

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Lieut- G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for
.tieth day of September 1832

id.	Amount.	REMARKS.
' work	✓ 11.87½ ✓	For work on Public waggons &c.
	✓ 77.87½ ✓	
	✓ 5.93¾ ✓	
uing Commissary	✓ 306.00 ✓	
Teamsters	✓ 5.00 ✓	Subsequently murdered in the vicinity of Fort Smith & Skeggs taken in his place
, &c. remo. & Sub.	✓ 220.14 ✓	
' Self	✓ 47.00 ✓	For the purpose of obtaining funds for Ind Dept at Fort Smith
	✓ $673.51½	

I Certify on Honor, that the above Abstract is just and true,

G. J. Rains
Lt. & Disbursing Agent
Ch. Serv. & Cav.

forcibly compelled by the Militiary? This matter has been reported to day by Majr Armstrong to the Secretary of War in connexion with other subjects.

I have some provision, which were sent to this place for the command of Soldiers I had here - perhaps it would be advisable to issue these to the Indians likewise

42 Abstracts
Comg Ft Gibson
Maj. G. Rains
Ft. Gibson
Aug 8th 1832
Rec'd Sept 5th
Relative to Indians
Ft Gibson.

Rec'd 14 Jany

Fort Smith

Sir

December 8th 1832

Your communication relative to 78 bbls. of Pork. sent me from Fort Gibson by Lieut Baxter is received, and also another letter, concerning the same subject. Having gone to Little Rock for purposes connected with the Indian removal & subsistence my absence prevented my receiving and answering it earlier.

On my receiving this Pork some months since, I immediately forwarded an acknowledgement to you, to that effect, which I presume has never reached you.

At the begining of the present quarter, I had on hand and was responsible to Government for 178 bbls of Pork, since that time, after having it scraped and rebrined, I have issued some bbls of it, and am in hopes of issuing more, This Pork will be taken up, in my next Return.

Majr Armstrong Choctaw Agent has called upon me to know if I have received instructions relative to filling the Certificates for cattle in the possession of Choctaw Indians, who are much in need of them; I have received no orders in this matter, but Majr Armstrong has this day made a requisition upon Capt Brown to defray all expences incidental to the Choctaw treaty, but

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both antecedeal to the present time and which may occur, which from my knowledge of the affairs of the Agency, will require at least Three thousand and one hundred dollars independent of purchases of Cattle for Antecedent expences.

Majr Armstrong speaks confidently of an Order having been issued relative to the above matters, but if so, this order has never reached me. Rifles, Blanket and some tierces of clothing

We arrived here on 4th Inst the Agent Majr Armstrong informs me that 500 Hoes, Axes & cards & the Iron & Steel due under the Treaty he has not heard of, as being on the way: 500 Indian Ploughs are stored at Little Rock, as I have been informed.

The following note was received and communicated to the individual Concerned

Ft Pains Copy

"Friend & Brother! The choctaws have determined "in Council, that Capt. Rogers should forthwith be removed from Ft "Smith, he being settled within the limits of the choctaw Nation. "Contrary to the Treaty between the United States and the Choctaw "Nation; and having been refered to you by the Act. Agent of the "Choctaws, as having Jurisdiction or controle of this point of "choctaw Land: It is our wish and request that this removal "be effected as early as possible (Signed) P. P. Pitchlynn

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" Oklanowa his + mark, Aholaby his + mark, Tunnahechaa his + mark, Nittuckachi his + mark
" Nat Folsom his + mark. Yokmikkubbi his + mark, Joseph Pickens his + mark
" Test- { Edmund Folsom
Ass't. Interpreter "

The above gentleman has returned no answer, and I have been informed he does not intend to move until put over the line by the Military.

About 1600 Choctaws will be here in addition to morrow or next day.

To Genl Geo. Gibson Commy Genl Sub- Sist. Dept. Washington City D.C.

I am Sir
Respectfully your
Mo. Ob. Servt.
G. J. Raines
Asst & Disb. Agent
Ch. Trea. & Sub -

P.S. Having received no answer to a communication forwarded some time since, wherein were my acceptance of the appointment of Disbursing Agent & remarks relative to the situation of Capt- Rogers at this place, it may never have reached you. The amount however was, with my acceptance of the appointment you were pleased to confer — that Capt. Rogers is disposed to cavil about the Choctaw Boundary as defined Page 173 Art. 1st Book of Indian Treaties U.S. and I have been told, intends prosecuting at law the officer who ejects him, declaring his intention not to remove, until

Lt. Gy. J. Davis
Fort Smith 12th Jany 18

Sends quarterly returns &c

The contract having
closed he has been obliged
to make purchases to sup-
ply the Emigrants &c

Rec. 17 Feby

Fort Smith
January 12th 1833

To Genl Geo. Gibson
Comy Genl Sub

Sir! I have the honor herewith to forward a Quarterly Return and an account Current for 4th Quarter 1832.

About 1700 of the late Emigrants have arrived and settled on the Sand Bois; near the Choctaw Agency, and on the upper waters of the Porteau

[redacted]

established three Depots for provisioning them; one at Pheasant Bluff, five miles below the mouth of the Canadian river on the Arkansas, One near the Choctaw Agency on the Arkansas, and the third on the Porteau, about 28 miles beyond the Agency.

Emigrant Choctaws are arriving in detached parties daily, Thorton Rector aft. Agt. in removal of Indians, I expect, will be here in about six days with about 500 Choctaws, which will probably be the last

[redacted]

All contracts having been closed, I have been obliged to make purchases for the Emigrants, but these have been generally, including all expences of issues, far cheaper than the prices under Contract or indeed any ever let out for this place. My System is as soon as a party arrives to enroll them, then issue provisions to the end of the month to enable the Indians to look out his home &c. My issues are monthly, say at Depot No 1. on the first day of the month, at Depot No 2. on the 10th and at

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at Depot. No 3. on the [illegible] which arraignment I have the
-ayth inst
I have defered charging transportation in my account from
Fort Smith to Little Rock, believing the distance specified in the
Post-Masters-Directory to be too great. I have an understanding with
Majr Armstrong on this subject to establish the proper distance
when my account sent in 3d Quarter of 1832. will be corrected in
this particular.

bills.

I am Sir!
very respectfully
your Mo. Obt. Servt.
G. J. Rains
Agent & Disbursing Agt
Cho. Nation & Subs.

[illegible] the Post Office at this place [illegible]
very loose manner. it is now established in a dram shop.
I have charge of 33 Waggons and Teams, engaged in
transporting property, Articles as Guns. Ploughs &c furnished under the treaty, to Red River. They are under
the direction of the Choctaw Agent.

QUARTERLY STATEMENT of Agents and others employed in the P. U. S.

ending the Thirty first December 1832. by Lieut. James R. Stephenson^

No.	NAMES.	STATIONS.	DATE OF EMPLOYMENT.	COMPENSAT
1	John Rainey	Fort Towson	1st December 1831	$60
2	P. McKinley	" "	1st " "	"
3	James Rainey	Horse Prairie	1st March 1832	$50
4	Geo. F. Lawton	Old Mills & Home	21st " "	$45
5	Jonas L. Belcate	Mountain Fork	17th July "	$50

in the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaw Indians, for the Quarter

U. S. Disb. Agent Choctaw Removal

COMPENSATION.	REMARKS, shewing the nature of the employment, what business was performed during the quarter &c.
[illegible]	Taking charge of the Public Funds and receiving & issuing same to the Choctaws
"	as Clerk for Lieut James R. Stephenson U. S. Army Dis. Agt Choct Removal
"	& Asst in receiving and issuing Subsistence at Horse prairie Depot
"	" " " " " " Old Millers Ct House Depot
"	" " " " " " Mountain Fork Depot

Jas R. Stephenson
1st Lt U. S. Army
Disby. Agt Choctaw Rem.l

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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *for Transportation by Lieut*

the removal and Subsistence of **Indians,** *in the Quarter ending the Thirty first*

DATES.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.
4th Quarter 1832.	1	George Lemmon	327 lbs Bacon at 8 cts. per lb.
	2	Lewis Brevet	3 bbls Flour at $8. per bbl
	3	Louis Brevet	1 " . . $7.75
	4	Pickett & Gregg	58 lbs Sugar, 25 lbs Coffee, 16 lbs Tallow & c
	5	Hugh Knox	Transportation of Choctaw Emigra
	6	Thomas Wall	" " "
	7	Charles Lucas	Commutation. per transportatio
	8	John L. McClellan	75 lbs Fresh Pork at 4 cts per

Signed Duplicates

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Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for

the first day of December 1832.

D.	AMOUNT.	REMARKS.
6. pr. lb.	$ 26.16	For the Subsistence of Teamsters & others employed in Ind. Dept. in this Section of country
pr. lb	24.00	" " " " " " " "
75 "	54.25	" " " " " " " "
Tallow & 1 Chain	14.85	For Subsistence of Teamsters, & use of Public Waggons
Emigrants	64.00	For ferrying over the Portaw river according to Articles of Agreement
"	64.00	" " " " " " " " "
portation	45.00	
4 cts pr lb	3.00	For Subsistence of U. S. Teamsters
	$ 295.26	

I Certify on Honor, *that the above Abstract is just and true.*

G. J. Rains
Lt. & Dis'b. Agent
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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *on Account of Subsistence by Le*

the removal and Subsistence of **Indians,** *in the Quarter ending the Thirty firs*

DATE.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	PORK. Barrels.	PORK. lbs.	BEEVES. Number & estimated Wgt.	Slaughtered Beef Pounds.	FLOUR. Barrels.	FLOUR. lbs.	Corn Meal. Pounds.
4th Quarter of 1839	1	R. C. Byrd & D. Thompson				180.000			
	2	Robert Sinclair							
	3	John M. Walker							
	4	Pickett & Gregg							
						180.000			

Signed Duplicates

Note.—*When any change is made for which there is no* **Head,** *to wit, for* **Transportation,** *it may be described in the Space for* **Remarks.**

y Lieut- G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for

first day of December 1832.

Corn Meal. Pounds.	CORN. Bushels.	CORN. Quarts.	SALT. Bushels	SALT. Quarts	RATIONS. Number.	Coffee Pounds	Sugar Pounds	AMOUNT. Dollars	AMOUNT. Cents.	
								✓67	32	00
	✓300							✓20	10	00
								✓84	62½	For transporting Indians Subsistence.
			✓161			✓16	✓20	✓328	50	
	✓300		✓161			✓16	20	✓9155	12½	

The number of rations is Omitted on account of part of the above provision having been Taken for the use of Public teams

I **Certify on Honor,** that the above Abstract is just and true.

G. J. Rains
Lt. & Disb. Agent.
Cho. Nation.

ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS for Contingencies by Lieut. G. J. the removal and Subsistence of **Indians**, in the Quarter ending the Thirty first

DATES.	Number of Voucher.	To Whom Paid.	For what Paid.
Quarter ending 31st March 1832	1	Pickett & Gregg	Sundries for the use of the Departmen
	2	Jesse Turner	Repairing road for Choctaw Emigrate
	3	Ransom Moore	Determining the weight of Cattle
	4	John M Walker	Building Corn Crib
	5	John S McClellan	Salary as Issuing Commissary
	6	Alph. McClellan	Finding and bringing up an Ox a per advertisement
	7	Edville Coffee & Co	2lb nails @ 12½ cts per lb
	8	Charles M McClellan	Salary as clerk & issuing Commiss
	9	St. G. I. Rains	Postage on Public letters

Signed Duplicates

Lieut. G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for
first day of December 1832

	Amount.	REMARKS.
Department	21. 93¾	
ew Emigration	176. 70½	
Cattle	1.50	At an issue of rations to Choctaw Indians (Cattle on hoof)
rib	52.00	For building corn crib at provision depot near the Choctaw Agency on Arkansas river according to articles of agreement
missary	19.33½	
	120.00	See Articles of Agreement
upon or as	2.50	
ct for the	25	For use of Public Keel boat
ing Commissary	150.00	See Articles of Agreement
tters	22.00	Certificate on the Bill
	546.89	

I Certify on Honor, that the above Abstract is just and true,

G. J. Rains
Lt. & Disb. Agent
Ch. Nem. & Val.

Dr. *The* **United States,** *in Account current with* Lt. G. J. Rains Disb. ag
ending the Thirty first *day of* Decem.ber *1832.*

DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS.	
30th Septr. 1832	To Amount due me per last Statement	✓ 736	16	11½
31st Decr. "	Per Abst. of Disb. ow account of Subsistence +	✓ 9155	12½	
" " "	" " " " " " " Transportation +	✓ 295	26	11.
" " "	" " " " " " " Contingencies +	546	89	17.
" " "	To this amount turned over to Lt. Sutton agt. agreeable rem +	✓ 50	00	
" " "	This Amount due the United States	1208	56½	
		✓ 11992	00	

I Certify that the above accoun

Signed Duplicates

…s Disb. agt. of the U. S. on account of the removal and subsistence of Indians, for the Quarter

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CENTS.	DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS.
16	11th Oct. 1832	By Cash received of Capt. J. Brown		
12½		Prin. Disb. agent Choctaw rem. & sub	+6732	00
26	11th Nov. "	" " " " " "	+ 260	00
89 4/5	17th " "	" " " " " "	+5000	00
00			11992	
56½				
00			$11.992	00

…above account of monies received and expended by me in the period above stated, is just and true.

G. J. Rains
Ct. & Disb. Agent
Ch. rem. & Sub.

Comg 4th Choctaw
Lt. G. I Rivers
Fort Smith Feby
6th 1833

Sends monthly abst
for January

Has been ordered by
Capt Brown to send
the public Wagons to
Little Rock.

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No. 13 Monthly Fort Smith

Genl Geo. Gibson February 6th 1833

Com:y. Genl. Sub.

Washington City.

Sir, Herewith I have the honor of forwarding Monthly abstract of expenditures for January 1833.

In my last, I stated that after the arrival of Col Rector's party of Emigrants, the emigration for this would probably cease but I was mistaken. Parties of from 20 to 100 are still daily arriving and I begin to think it will continue during the year.

Many Choctaws have come on their own resources and have applied to me for commutation, but having no tickets, were not paid. Should it be your intention to allow these people commutation hereafter probably there will be great difficulty in proper recognition without some paper to show a title.

I have here thirty three Public Waggons, which have made one trip to Red River, & have received instructions from Capt. J. Brown Prin. Disb. Agent at Little Rock, as soon as the public property was hauled over to Red River, to send them back to Little Rock; Now a great part of this property is still at Little Rock, which is for Red River, and the Commission Merchant storing them (a Mr. Wilson I believe) I understand refuses to forward them, without an order, Capt. McClellan is on Red river and has been very sick there, and if here I doubt if he would think himself

Authorised to give the order knowing as I do that he is ignorant of the info.
cause of the detention.

In the mean time the Choctaws are much in need of these articles as ploughs &c, and I am at a loss whether to send back the Waggons or wait for these articles until they arrive.

The storage of the ploughs since July last, probably amounts to more than the freight will be to Fort Smith. Therefore unless compelled, the Contractor for their transportation will hardly risk keeping them.

The following is an extract from a letter to Capt. J. Brown Pow. Dis. Agent at Little Rock, which I have the honor to submit

"The Treaty articles for Choctaws at ploughs &c are at
"Little Rock which are intended for Red river, so that there now remains,
"at the Choctaw Agency for transportation, about seven Waggon loads only.
"But one trip of twenty Waggons has been made, and I am at a loss
how to comply with instructions relative to transporting an unity articles
"when these are not here.

"The Choctaws are greatly in need of their ploughs and
"Capt. McClellan is sick on Red river, but I have heard to day he
"will be here in a short time, under which circumstances please
"instruct me what to do."

I have some money in my hands for which I am accountable to your Department Army Subsistence, please

te inform me if this can be transfered to the Indian Department

I am Sir

Very respectfully

your Mo. Obt. Servt.

G. J. Rains

Lt. & Disb. Agent

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Contin*

January , 1833 , by *Lieut. G. J. Rains Disb*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Do
3d January 1833	John G Ring	Catching & restoring 2 Public horses	
12th " "	Joshua Fisher	Making hinges & waggon work Ind. Dept.	
" "	Sal. Bennett Leo	Pad lock Public Corn Crib	
28th " "	John Griffith	Carrying express to Nation - Counter-acts.	

I Certify that the above A

Dated February 1st, 1833 Fort Smith C.N.

gencies of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of
urseing Agent Choctaw Removal and Subsistence

ollars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
5	00	Wages from Teams employed in removal of Ch. Indians
4	5	
	62½	
2	50	
2	62½	

stract is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.

Signed Dup

G. J. Rains
Ch. & Disbursing Agent

In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.

MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Subsis*

January , 1833 , by *Lieut. G.J. Rains Disbu*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dol
4th January 1833	T N Clark	Furnishing fresh Beef under Contract	33
"	Clark & Fitzworth	Furnishing fresh Pork	5
			$39

I Certify *that the above A*

Dated *February* 1st, 1833 *Fort Smith. C.N.*

…e of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of …
…ing Agent Choctaw Removal and Subsistence

	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
	50	Account closed
?	50	For the consumption of the present month (Account closed)

MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Tran*

January , 1833 , by *Lieut. G.J. Rains Disbur*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Del
13th January 1833	Jno. Bennett & Co	Bacon for Subsistence of Teamsters	
" " "	Thomas Wall	A Steel Mill . . .	
25th " "	John M. Walker	Transportation of Public Mail boat with Forage for U.S. Teams	
22 " "	Hugh Knox	Fresh Pork Subsistence of U.S. Teamsters	
29th " "	Marlin Tuttle	" . . . " . "	

I Certify that the above A

Dated February 1st, 1833 Fort Smith C.N.

…ion of the Choctaw **Indians** for the Month of

…ng Agent Choctaw Removal and Subsistence

	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
7	99	
	00	For grinding meal
	06¼	
1	98	
3	48	
	51¼	

…tract *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed Dupe

G. J. Rains Lt & Disbursing Agent

In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.

Letter to Genl Geo. Gibson
Comy. Genl Sub.

Encig 46 Choctaws
Lr G. J. Rains
Fort Towson 8th Mar.
1833.

Sends Abstract of
disbursements for
Feby.

Rec'd Apr. 16.

Gen'l Geo. Gibson
Comy. Gen. Sub
Washington City
D. C.

T. N. Smith
March 8th 1833.

Sir I have the honor herewith to forward Monthly abstracts of Disbursements for Transportation and contingencies for Feb'y 1833. a copy of which I have this day forwarded to Capt. J Brown Prin. Dis. Agent at Little Rock.

Abstract of Disbursements for Subsistence is omitted no new purchases having been made therein.

I am in want of Blanks for my next report please have me favoured in this particular

Muster rolls of the Choctaw Indians I will have the honor of forwarding by the return mail.

I am Sir
very respectfully your Mo. Ob't Serv't
G. J. Rains Lt. & Dis. Agent J. Ter

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Contin*

Feby , 183*3* , *by Lieut G. A. Nairn*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.
28 Feby 1833	Public Teamsters	For services as Teamsters
Do. " "	Jesse Turner	Services as issuing Commissary to Emigrant Choctaws

I **Certify** *that the above*

Dated *March* 1st, 183*3* *Fort Smith. C. N.*

…f the Choctaw Indians for the Month of

Disbursing Agent. Choctaw Removal and Subsistence

ollars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
200	—	Being one months pay for 10 Teamsters at $20 each p.r Month then services continue
37	50	Discontinued
37	50	

.bstract is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.

Signed Wm G. J. Morris Lt. & Disb. Agent.

In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT of Disbursements for the Transp

February , 1833 , by Lieut G. I Rains

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Do
2 Feby 1833	Willis Conant	66 Bushls corn forage for public Teams	
4 "	H. L. Gregory for Steam Boat Little Rock	Transportation of Property belonging to Choctaw Emigrants	

I Certify that the above

Dated March 1st, 1833 Fort Smith C.N

ation of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of

's Issuing Agent. Choctaw Removal and Subsistence

	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
	40	Discontinued
	17	"
	57	

tract *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

(**Signed** Ir[illegible]) G. J. Ar[illegible] A. C. & Disb. Agent.

In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.

Emig. 47 Choctaw
Lt. G. I. Ruins
Ft. Smith Apr. 5th 1833.

Relative to the purchasing
Cattle for Choctaws, and
of the starving condition
of the Emigrants of
1831. &c &c

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Rec.d May 11.th

Fort Smith
April 5.th 1833

Genl Geo. Gibson
Com.y Genl Sub.
Washington City. D.C.

Sir. Herewith I have the honor to forward rolls of the Choctaws in Arkansas District, comprising the late Emigrants only, which have been made in triplicate according to instructions from Capt. Brown who receives a copy.

Your communications of the 13.th Dec.r 1832. the 19.th 24.th & 31.st Jan.y and 11.th Feb.y 1833. have been duly received.

The remarks in yours of the 31.st Jan.y relative to buying cattle for those relinquished by Choctaws in the old nation, have certainly a correct bearing upon the case, as would probably occur in this country; for there has scarcely been one contract of any description whatever published in this section of country, that there has not been some combination or evident attempt of fraud upon Government among the bidders. The same spirit of dishonesty goes with them in filling their contracts, so as to demand the utmost vigilence to prevent the unlettered Indians from being cheated. To fill these cattle tickets and defeat improper doings among bidders I can see no plan more feasible, than to have them purchased in private bargains, or both plans might be tested leaving to the Superintendent in the advertisement the power of superseding all public bids by any private Contract which he may make more advantageous to Government.

The Old Emigrants of 1831. whose time of drawing provision has expired, most of them having raised no crops last year, are now begging for provision to keep from starving, sacrificing their annuity for about one sixth of its value for the same purpose, and must fare worse if possible. I can recommend nothing to relieve them, for I believe were they supported another year the same again would happen; though the situation of widows and Orphans is to be lamented.

I am Sir
very respectfully your
no. Ob.t Serv.t
G. J. Rains Lt. & Dis Agent

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P. S. Since writing the within I have been informed that some Choctaws this day have been collecting carrion thrown on the ~~the~~ common for their subsistence — a cow which had died of disease and was putrifying. There are — Some barrels of the condemned pork which I have, & which will hardly pay for its being retrimmed when sold, not perhaps so much from its quality, though it is not good, as the dearth of purchasers, there being pork enough to supply the whole country which is thinly settled & leave a remainder now ~~thrown~~ — Were people have refused it in their rations once, they would doubtless be glad to get it - for this is not putrid nor spoiled except by age & salt, & gladly would they receive provision of any kind to relieve their present necessities — I am about sorting it according to your instructions for issue & sale

Submitted very respectfully &c G. J. R.

Emigration of Indians
Office Com: Genl. Subs:
Jany 31st 1833.

Sir,

Yours of the 20th Novr and 8th and 15th Decr with their enclosures are received. I have also received a communication from Captn Brown on the subject of the requisitions of Major Armstrong, to which you allude. — Capt. Brown will meet those requisitions; and with the view of knowing the precise extent of the expenditure consequent upon them, you will make a Statement at the end of the present quarter, to accompany your quarterly accounts, indicating every source of expense connected therewith, and not incurred in the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians. This Statement should exhibit the payments of money for freight on goods, hire of Teamsters, laborers, forage for horses, and in fact, all payments growing out of the requisitions above alluded to or preceding them, if of the same nature. And every thing will be made to appear so much in detail and with such references to your Vouchers & provision & forage returns

returns as may exhibit the whole clearly and satisfactorily.
My object in this is to get refunded any monies disbursed
by my Agents for purposes for which distinct appropriations
are made.

The pork on hand, viz: 178 barrels, lacking a few barrels,
which you have issued "after having it scraped and rebrined"
will be issued to the Indians, if they like it, if not, you will sell
it to the best advantage, and after deducting all expenses appertain-
-ing to it, credit the proceeds on your accounts for "Army Subsist-
-ence." Matters relating to Indian removal or subsistence will
both in your correspondence and accounts always be kept distinct
from those connected with the subsistence of the Army.

With respect to the instructions given by me to Lieut: Stephen-
-son, and of which Major Armstrong has received a copy, I
have again written to the latter gentleman explaining my
views. I believe it better, under the circumstances of the case,
that payments for Cattle should be confined, for the present
at least, to the Officer on Red River. I shall not, therefore,
require you to perform any portion of that duty for the emigration
of 1831. There now being a large body of Indians of the

last

last season's emigration in the neighborhood of Fort Smith, and under your supervision, I shall of course await the views of the Agent before determining on the course to be taken in the next payments of that character. My object is to prevent fraud and collusion. Any mode which is calculated to effect this purpose will meet my sanction.

I approve of the employment of an additional Assistant. But you will consider this approval to be only so far as it does not conflict with directions recently given by me to Capt.n Brown for the distribution &c. of the Disbursing and other Agents, so as to meet the increase in the number of Indians to be Subsisted.

Your letter of acceptance of Appointment was received and the remarks in it, relative to Capt.n Rogers, replied to, by saying that it was believed the Indian Agent could act efficiently in the case. But I doubt not that representations have been made to the War Department, there will be prompt action upon them.

Respectfully
yr. Obt. Servt
Geo Gibson
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To Lt. J. J. Reins
Disb: Agent Choct: Rem!
Fort Smith

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Referred
Rec'd May 25

Mouth of Arkansas
24th April 1833

Gen

Gen Lewis Cass
Secretary of War

Sir

[redacted]

your notice a route through which a very good road could be cut for comparatively small expense and such road if constructed would be the occasion of many of the Choctaws emigrating themselves who at present will not do it on account of the great difficulty attendant on their passage through the Mississippi [redacted] at present state, it would also be. [redacted] to emigrate themselves on the route to which I have reference would go up along the right bank of the Arkansas River from its junction with the Mississippi to within seven miles (by land) of the Post of Arkansas, it would there cross the Arkansas by means of a Ferry and thence along the left bank of the Arkansas to the Post of Arkansas

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where the high post oak lands comes up to the
River and on which is built the village of
the Post of Arkansas, the distance is about from
25 to 27 miles and is almost the whole distance
along a high cane ridge which is at all times
above high water; to make this road good
at all seasons there small bridges and some
Causeway ing will be required; in addition
to the great advantage that the government
would derive from opening this road in Emigra-
=ting Indians it would bring into notice some
of the best cotton lands in the Union and
consequently would be the cause of its being early
settled with an industrious population in a
short time there is also an other reason for open-
=ing this road, it would greatly facilitate the
transportation of the mail as well as render
it more safe, it is generally carried in a small
Canoe (dug out) and I have on one occasion seen it
carried on a raft made of two logs lashed together, that
was done for 30 miles on the Arkansas and about 80
miles on the Mississippi where both of the rivers
were high, to make this road $1000 would be
ample and when completed it would be as good
if not a better road than that from Memphis
to the St Francis, 38 miles, to make which
$100.000 have been appropriated, this road running

over comparatively high land and the Memphis
one for almost its whole distance through a deep
overflow, this road will be the most safe to
pass over on account of health, the Memphis
road in the last of summer and the first half
of autumn will no doubt be much like the
swamp between Charleston and Columbia S.C.
is very sickly and even dangerous for strangers
to pass through at that season of
By referring to Genl. George Gibson's
Genl. of Subsistence you will there find a
report made by me on this district and whilst
I was in the Army and Assistant to Captain S. Brown
in Removing the Choctaws.

I am now part proprietor of the land
at the junction of the Arkansas with this Mississippi
river, myself & partners have cut a road through
the Cane which can be rode along but to cut
it as it ought to be would cost more than we
as individuals can afford to expend and the
population is too sparse and poor to have it
done by an order of the county Court,
Captain Brown has seen a part of the road that
I have had cut and he thinks that with a little
more labour it would do very well.

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May 20 1833

Engineer Department

Engineer Department
May 21. 1833
Respectfully referred to
the Commissary General
of Subsistence.
Gratiot

26. Comm. 48 Choctaws arrived
Lt. S. W. R Ryan
Mouth of Arkansa
24th April
to
Secretary of War.

In reference to the
ute which the
migrating Choctaw
could take,

25 May '33

Upon this subject I would remark that
the Choctaws are a much larger people
and are by employed much more
numerous than the Creeks. The Choctaws
have no annuities to be paid any persons
under the Treaty of Dancing Rabbit Creek
& Examiner the Creek Treaty
any Choctaw Indian can readily
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Emig[illegible] Choctaw

& [illegible] Claiborne

Choctaw Agency, Miss.

1st Qr. 1833

Sends qrly returns &c

for 1st Qr. 1833.

Mar[illegible] the provisions

intended for Fort Towson

&c &c.

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comg Genl Sub.
Washington City

Rec'd 27 may

Choctaw Agency
April 19th 1833

Sir. Herewith I have the honor of forwarding Quarterly returns and an account current for 1st Quarter 1833.

Since the 23rd of March last I have been relieved by Capt Stuart with company C 7th Infy in my duties as having charge of public property at Fort Smith, and under the recognition of Capt Brown Prem. Disbursing Agent Choctaw removal at Little Rock, I have located myself near the Choctaw Agency where the most of my duties and, and have been called for, since the Emigrations of Choctaws.

I have received the provisions intended for Fort Towson mentioned in your communication of 14th March last and have sent to E.B. Alexander A.C.S. at Fort Towson to know if they are required at that place an answer has not yet reached me.

Having received no funds for the last and present quarter of the year, I have made no payments as yet for the Choctaw Agency. Consequently none are included in my accounts.

About 300 Emigrants have arrived from the old Choctaw Nation since the beginning of last week making about 400 Choctaws, who have Emigrated on their own resources to this district, they are coming in daily and having depended upon receiving and laying out their commutation for necessary articles as hoes, axes &c complain of their situations, these articles furnished under Treaty not having arrived according to Bill of Lading received some time since except Rifles and Blankets.

I have been informed that a number of Chickasaws are moving to this Section of Country to become Choctaws I presume, as these people will apply for provision I will be glad to know if they are to be furnished.

Since this my last return I am happy to inform you that the Choctaws having thought better of their former refusals have received about 50 bbls of the pork on hand in their nations.

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Having turned over by Capt Stuart order who is now occupying Fort Smith all Quartermasters stores not in immediate use, I have thought it best considering that a few articles in this Department had been used and are still in indispensible use in the Indian Department which can not be purchased in this region, to receipt to that Department for them and have taken them up on my Returns of Indian property: should it meet your approbation I have thought it better so to appropriate them, where they are needed than otherwise, though in commuting their value to that Department I have thought a third should be deducted for their previous use.

The relative situation of U.S. Officers in this section of the country are Capt Stuart with Lieuts Davis and Dix and company 6th 7th Infy occupying Fort Smith where Lieut Davis is act. A. Comy. Subsistence & a a 2? and near the Choctaw Agency 13 miles distant I am located — these particulars are mentioned with a view also that there may be a cooperation between us when my duties do not permit my visiting Fort Smith to receive public property, to prevent Citizens profiting at the expense of Government — Previous to the arrival of the military and occupancy at Fort Smith whenever my duties called me away, I always left an instructed agent — to act in case of need, since I have considered it unnecessary believing the proper agents of Government to be those in the pay thereof, though it be not embraced in their immediate duties: such a view however not having been considered by the officers at Fort Smith, as in the absence of Capt. McClellan and myself on duty Capt. Rogers a Citizen (yet living on Choctaw land at Fort Smith) receives and stores public property consigned to the Agent of the Choctaw Nation West who will charge for hauling Commission and storage of Course while the means are in the hands of the Military there, and I have reserved in Conference with Capt. Stuart the old commissary's store house for this express purpose, in turning over the buildings to him. These facts are mentioned with no hostile views to the officers alluded to at Fort Smith for we are upon terms of friendship but merely for your information that perhaps

you may be pleased to give such instructions as will be more
Compatible with the interest of Government

I am Sir
very respectfully
your Obt. Servt.
G. J. Rains
Lt. & Dis. Agent
Ao. Terr.

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Return of Property received and issued by Lieut. G. J. Rai
Indians. in the Quarter ending on the Thirty first day of Marc

		From whom Received	A Axes, Pattles	A Augurs	A Axes, Pick	B Bayl Mts of	B Bolts, Sail	B Belts, Waist	C Cordell Mts of	C Cotts Fire	D Bits for Augers	F Files Mts of
		On hand per last Return	3	3		3	1	1	1	4	1	3
		Pickett & Gregg		1								
		Lt. G. J. Rains a a2nd Inst			1							
		The Mail										
Total Received			3	4	1	3	1	1	1	4	1	3
	To Whom Issued											
		Per Certificate		1		3			1			
Total Amount Issued				1		3			1			
Total Amount on hand			3	3			1	1		4	1	3

Signed Duplicate

G. S. Rains Disbursing Agent in the Removal and Subsistence of March 1833.

F	G	H	S	M	N	P				S																T	
Ftr. No of	Groups No of Rations No of	Hammers, Claw	Locks, Gun	Hammers Left Hdw.	Mills Steel	Nails lbs. of	Pole with Blankets	Boards " Sand, Drift	" Shovel	" Coffee Mortars & Pestles	Saw X cut-	" Hand	" Key hole	" Circular	Squares, Steel	Scales Letter &c	Saws, Hdl	Stones, Grind	Tent, Marquee & Fly	" Pole with Iron							
3	1		8	1			6	2	1	1	1			1	2	1	2	1	1							1	1
	6					27																					
		2																1	1								
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I Certify on Honor, that the above Return is correct

G. S. Rains
Lt. & Dis. Agt.
Cherokees.

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Dr. The United States, in Account current with Lt. G.
of Removal and Subsistence of Indians for the Quart.

Date		Dollars	Cents	(c
1st Quarter 1833	Per Abstract of Disbursements for Subsistence	3942	00	31
	" " " " " Transportation	488	39¾	4th
	" " " " " Contingencies	767	56	"
—	This amount due the United States	467	60¾	1st
				31st
		5665	56½	

I Certify that the above account of monies received and expen

Signed Duplicates

Lt G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States on account
Quarter ending on the 31st day of March 1833. 6th

	Date		Dollars	Cent
	31st December 1832	By cash due the U. S. per last Statement	1208	56½
3/4	4th January 1833	By cash of Capt. G. Brown Pens. Disb Agt. Ala. rem.	3392	50 +
	" " "	" " " " " " " " "	549	50 +
3/4	1st March "	" " " " " " " " "	500	00 +
	31st " "	By cash due the U. S. this amount charged for transportation in Abstract of Contingencies of 3rd Quarter 1832 to & from Little Rock supposed to be too much by _____	+ 15	00
		The Post Office directory supposed to be wrong in the distance		
½			$ 5665	56½

d expended by me in the period above stated, is just and true

G. J. Rains
Lt & Dis. Agt
Ala. Terr.

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Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies by Dist. / removal and Subsistence of Indians, in the Quarter ende

Date	No. of Voucher	To Whom Paid	For What Paid
3d. Jan.y 1833	1	John G Ring	Catching and restoring two Public
12th. " "	2	Joshua Fisher	Making hinges, & mending waggon &c
" " "	3	Jos. Bennett & Co	One padlock for Public Corn Crib
28th " "	4	John Griffith	Carry express
21st Feby "	5	Jesse Turner	Services as Issuing commissary to Emigran
28th "	6	Public Teamsters	For Services as Teamsters
11th March "	7	John M Walker	Building corn crib
" " "	8	Oon ta lik ka	Finding & delivering two Public Ores.
30th " "	9	Pickett & Gregg	Sundries for the use of the Ind. Dept
31st " "	10	St. G. L. Rains	Pay & Emoluments, as Disb. Agt. & trans

Signed Triplicates

I Certify on

ieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for
ending on the 31st day of March 1833

ied	Amount	Remarks
Public horses ff	✓ 5.00	Strays from Trains employed in removal of Choctaw Indians
waggon Ind. Dept.	✓ ✓ 4.50	Am account of 1831. just presented
ow Crib	✓ ✓ 62½	
	✓ ✓ 2.50	To ration contractor - to obtain rations for Emigrants
to Emigrant Choctaws	✓ ✓ 37.50	Employment rendered necessary by the arrival of Emigrants when other Agents were actively engaged in the regular issue of rations to Indians
rs	✓ ✓ 200.00	
	✓ ✓ 65.00	See Articles of Agreement
blic Press	✓ ✓ 10.00	See advertisement
d. Dept.	✓ ✓ 6.37½	See Bill
t & transportation	✓ ✓ 436.06	To & from Little Rock for the purpose of obtaining funds By Order of Capt J. Brown Pay. Dis Ind Dept at Ft Smith agt Cho. rem. of 17th Oct 1832. for Transportation
	✓ ✓ $767.56	

by on Honor, the above abstract is just and true.

G. J. Rains
Ag & Dis. Agt
Cho. Rem.

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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *for Transportation by &c.*
the removal and Subsistence of **Indians,** *in the Quarter ending the Thirty*

DATES.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.
12th Jan'y 1833	1	Jno. W Bennett & Co	311 lbs Bacon at 9 cents per
5th " "	2	Hugh Knox	66 lbs Fish pork @ 3 cents
25 " "	3	John M Walker	Transportation of Public Ke
29th "	4	Marten S Tuttle	87 lbs Fresh pork at 4 ce
1st Feby "	5	Willis Conant	66 Bushels of Corn at 60 ce
9th "	6	W. L Gregory for Steam Boat Little Rock	Transportation of property be Choctaw Emigrants
12th Jan'y "	7	Thomas Wall	One Steel Mill for U S G
30th March "	8	Pickett & Gregg	332 lbs coffee 225 lbs. 365 lbs Sugar & 2 lbs. 15 lbs Tallow
31st " "	9	David McClellan	936 lbs Fresh Pork at 4 c

Triplicate

I. G. J. Raines Disbursing — Agent of the United States for
First — day of March 1833

		AMOUNT.	REMARKS.
lb	$	27.99	For Subsistence of Teamsters
lbs flr		1.98	" " "
boat		169.06¼	With Storage for United States Teams.
lbs flr		3.48	For Subsistence of U. S. Teamsters
per bushel		26.40	Forage for U. S. Teams
ying to			
		83.17	Belonging to Emigrants of 1831. See Abs Contgt.
amsters		15.00	Purchased when no bread stuff could be obtained & still found to be
ns. 2 Waggons		133.87½	Subsistence of U. S. Teamsters & use of waggons useful
½ per lb		37.44	" " " "
	$	488.39¾	

Certify on Honor, that the above Abstract is just and true.

G. J. Raines
D. & Dis Agent
Cho. Nation.

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Abstract of Disbursements on account of Subsistence by removal and Subsistence of Indians, in the Quarter ending

Date	No. of Vouchrs	To Whom Paid		Pork	Salt		Beef
				Pounds	Bushls	Quants	Pounds
4th Janry. 1833.	1	L. N. Clark					118.000
" " "	2	Clark & Titsworth		19.113			
				19.113			118.000

I Certify on Hono

Signa. of Principals

e by Lieut-G.J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for the ending the 31st day of March 1833.

Beef	Corn		Amount		Remarks
nds.	Bushels	Quants	Dollars	cents	
000			3392	50	Furnished under contract-
			549	50	" " by purchase, no contract being due

Letter to Commissary Genl
Sub. Washington

Emig 37 Choctaws
Lt. G. J. Rains
Choct. Agency 16th May 1833

Has rec'd the letter of 15th
March.

The 200 barrels of flour
for the Choctaws were rec'd and
stored at Fort Smith
previous to the reception of
any communication
relative to them.

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Rec. 10 June Choctaw Agency West
May 10th 1833.

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comy. Genl Sub.

Sir. Having made no disbursements during the past month my abstracts are not forwarded.

I have the honor to report the receipt of yours of 15th March last just received. the 120 bbls Pork. 250 bbls Flour 1760 lbs Coffee, 800 lbs candles & 500 Galls. Vinegar having been received by me and stored at Fort Smith previous to the receipt of any communication relative to their destination.

Lt. Alexander A. C. Sub. at Fort Towson had informed me these provisions will not be needed at that Post. I have written to Fort Gibson to the a.a. com. Sub. according to your direction to know if they be needed there (Lt. Carter himself being absent) but from what I have understood, I presume they will not be, that Post being well supplied.

Lt. Hill in command of a company of 7th Infy. has just arrived at Fort Smith to repair the new road to Fort Towson. This road has been very injurious to the feet of the Oxen employed in transporting Treaty articles to Red river. All of these articles intended for that District I have had carried over and the Wains are now on their returns. The Oxen and hoes have not yet arrived at Fort Smith. The Choctaws have commenced again to electioneer for Officers among themselves.

I am Sir
very respectfully
your. ms. ob. Servt.
A. J. Rains Sub. & Disa. Agent

Envoi 57 Choctaws
Lt. G. J. Rains
19th June 1833

Sends Abstract of dis=
bursements for May.

Speaks of the damages
arising from a freshet in
the Red River de la.

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Genl Geo. Gibson
Com'y Genl Sub
Washington City D.C

Rec'd 30 July
Choctaw Agency
19th June 1833

Sir. I have the honor herewith of forwarding Abstracts of Expenditures during May 1833.

We, at the Choctaw Agency here, have been shut out for some time from all communication with the Arkansas Territory, by an extraordinary rise in the Arkansas, which reach a height unparalleled in the memory of the oldest Inhabitants.

The Corn crops are all killed and the prospect of raising this article now, is almost a "forlorn hope", it being so late in the season.

From what I have heard from below, there has been almost a total distruction of Cows & Calves, Beef cattle, hogs &c. &c. which will not only make greatly against next emigration, but even the Inhabitants will be in a starving Condition, for the rise of the water was so sudden for removal.

Unless extraordinarily favoured by Providence, Subsistence for the next removal will have to be transported from one of the states.

At the request of St. Stephenson Disbursing Agent Choctaw removal, I have advertised for Stock cattle, to take up some of the tickets of Choctaws who relinquished in 1831. Since which Hook, Iron, Tubbee, James Lucas and Sho mo ta, have brought me tickets bearing date September 1831. valued by Mr Dowling Acting Agent for valuation of Cattle, amounting to 54 head which appear to have been left out in St. Stephensons instructions, there being no other account of them.

The Arkansas river had carried away two corn cribs here, belonging to Government, but no further loss will accrue to Government except $25. which it will cost to get another crib built, as I had the other Crib built by Teamsters in their spare time.

Capt. McClellan is now cleaning some Rifles, & drying Blankets and Clothing, which were covered with water about ten days. but which

§ By letter of 11th July Gen. St. Kenn. it appears this paragraph was not entitled

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will still answer for issue. most of the Guns, Clothing and ammunition have been luckily preserved ; issued or hauled up to our quarters previous to the rise of waters.

As the bank of the Arkansas as far as Herralds Bluff had very much fallen in. caved with mud quick sand, and the carcades of Animals destroyed by the water, I have entered into an Agreement to have the crib alluded to above, built on Herralds Bluff which is a rock with a fine landing, and but a mile further from the Agency than the nearest point on the Arkansas river, where the cribs formerly were, and where the Public ware houde now is; This building was probably saved by the Iron which was in it, as the water rose to the roof, and the bank had fallen in to within ten yards of this building and is still breaking off.

I am Sir
very respectfully
your Mo. Ob. Serv.t
G. J. Rains
Lt. & Dis. Agent
Ac. rem.

P.S. The road to the Public ware houde has always been of the worst kind and is now impassable while that to Swallow rock or Herralds Bluff as it is called will always be good in all seasons, running on high ground and along a ridge to the Rock whose base is washed by the Arkansas river. It is about four and a half miles from this place and is the only rocky or good landing between Pheasant Bluff and Fort Smith, a distance of 60 miles one way and 25 the other, following the windings of the river.

Should it become necessary to move the Public ware houde and the fall of the river has rendered it unsafe perhaps on account of the giving away of the banks. it can easily be pulled to peices and rafted to the above named place which now certainly is the only proper place for it.

The Contractor lost some provision stored in one of the cribs, and in the other there were a few bbls of the worst of the pork on hand which will all be saved perhaps.

Respectfully G. J. R.

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Transpor*

May , 1833 , by *Lieut. G. I. Rains Disb*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dollars.
1st May 1833	John Rogers	30lbs Pork Subsistence of U.S. Teamsters	1
20th " "	Thomas Wall	Ferriage of U.S. Teams across Potean river	8½
24th " "	Montgomery & Miller	1 bbl. Flour. Subsistence of U.S. Teamsters	8
			$ 91

I Certify that the above Abst

Dated June 1st, 1833.

Choctaw Agency

tion of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of

ising Agent Choctaw removal & Subsistence

Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
50	Will not continue
25	To obtain treaty articles for transportation to the West river.
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MONTHLY ABSTRACT of Disbursements for the Continge

May , 1833 , by Lieut G. I. Rains Disbur

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dollar
31st May 1833	Public Teamsters	For Services as Teamsters	28
29th " "	Charles M M'Clellan	For Services as clerk Ind. Dept.	150
" " "	John S M'Clellan	For Services as spying Company	150
30th " "	John S M'Clellan	Travelling expences to the Creek Agency	
		for Purchase of corn Ind. Subsistence	11

gencies of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of
urseing Agent Choctaw removal and Subsistence

lars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
7	67	
1	00	Will continue
4	00	"
	50	

Rec'd August

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comy General Subs.
Washington City

Choctaw Agency
11th July. 1833.

Sir Herewith I have the honor to forward Quarterly Returns for second quarter 1833, accompanied by an Account Current.

During the late high waters I was compelled to issue a portion of the flour to the Choctaw Indians, which belonged to the Army Subsistence (see Returns) as all communication elsewhere was cut off; this even, I had boated up the Pontcau River to the high land, as in the usual route was a sheet of water nine miles in extent.

Since, I have issued a little more flour, on account of the failure of the Contractor to bring corn in time, for the latter the Contractor will have to respond & the amount of the former will be duly made known for a transfer to this Dept.

It is now the 11th of the month and corn was down the Choctaws on 1st inst. a boat has just arrived here from the Creek-Nations, loaded with corn, which on account of the starving condition of these people, I have been obliged to purchase at $2.50 per bushel, which the Contractor will have to pay, according to Articles of Agreement.

This shows to what an exhorbitant price, corn

has risen, since the high water of the Arkansas, and I am induced to repeat, what was mentioned in a former letter "that the prospect of getting this article for the next Emigrants, when arrived in this, their new Country, is a very bad one" and with but few exceptions they do not want & even refuse to take flour.

Should such a state of things occur, I am induced to think it would be much profitable to buy corn in Louisville Ky. and after putting it up in sacks to have it transported by water to this place.

I have just received a copy of your Communication of 16th March last, which was answered some time since, in relation to the disposal of the Army provisions received which was & is respected subject to your further orders. it being wanted neither at Fort Towson nor Fort Gibson.

Whose Salt is reported in my Returns, is issued when received, this originates from that part of the Nation having been left by the Choctaws, which is done frequently in fact, and which I have afterwards taken and issued to the Public Store. I have been of opinion, that the Salt Issues of the ration (4 to 100 rations) was too much, as the whole seems to show; when half that quantity was the ration, I never heard a complaint of its deficiency.

Indians use far less salt than Whites, though a curtailing now, would ~~be~~ doubtless be greatly objected to, by them, in relation always of their fancied rights.

As the public Steamboat wished their discharges, I have discharged them, without hiring others in their places, believing it would be to the interest of Government to buy a horse and have the Cattle herded, than to employ a body of men at $20. per month and found, who must of course be idle for the want of something to do: The horse is a draught horse and was purchased also with a view to his useful use in next emigration.

Axes and Lead have lately arrived, and was received by me, from the steam boat Reindeer, at the public warehouse, and have been turned over to Capt. D McClellan Ch. Agent — a portion of this, I presume, will be sent to Red river.

A letter rec'd from you in reference to a seperate abstract of Disbursements of Agency expenses &c, will be attended to as early as possible. This letter having been received after I had incorporated & transmitted my Monies accounts, embracing Board expenses, which actually did not accrue in the Subsistence or removal of the Indians; I have consequently thought it best so to continue my accounts, & to forward you (as the transportation of Treaty Articles to Red river is about to close) a seperate abstract, which is to be deducted from the sum total of my expenditures, to establish the amount, with which the actual transportation & Subsistence of Indians is to be conducted, the Abstract itself will show, how much of the appropr

ation, for carrying the treaty into effect, has been expended.

I have advertised & closed for Lieut Stephenson, a contract for Cattle to file certificates in the hands of Indians, which went at $7.75 per head.

Persons reported in a former letter, to have been omitted & who were entitled to Cattle Viz. Hock-koa-tah-bee, Jas. Lucas & Che-mone-tah were not omitted, I have since found, & the first two received their Cattle & the certificates they had, are forwarded to Lieut Stephenson.

The above price doubtless arose from the high waters of the river & the quality or kind of cattle required at the time they were wanted &c. I believe that $5.00 would be a fair average at this time.

Letters of the following dates have been received in the quarter from you-viz. 11th February. 8th 14th 15th & 18th March 13th & 11th April, 2nd 3rd & 6th May & 4th June 1833.

I am Sir
very respectfully
your Obt. Servt.
G. J. Rains
U. S. Dis. Agent
Cho. nem.

Letter to Genl Geo. Gibson
Comr. Genl of I.A.
Washington City
D. C.

R. G. J. Rains 52
11th June 33
Choctaw Agency

Dr. *The* **United States,** *in Account current with* Lieut G. J. Re

ending the 30th *day of* June 1833.

DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS
2d. Quarter 1833	Per Abstract of Disbursment for Subsistence	725	10
	" " " . Transportation	215	97
	. . . . . Contingencies	~~905~~ 925	~~25~~ 62
	This Amount due the United States	215	32
		20	6
		2075	35
		20 64	71

I Certify that the abov

Signed Duplicate

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Pains Dist. Agt. on account of the removal and subsistence of Indians, for the Quarter

Cr.

NTS.	DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS.
			4 8	2 5/4
1/2	31st March 1833	By Cash due the U.S. per last statement	467	60/4
2/2	27th May "	By Cash recieved of Capt J. Bowen Prin Dist Agt +	1000	00
	20th June "	" " " " " " " " +	597	10
2 5/8			1597	10 1/2
3 3/4				
2 1/2				
	1866.69			

ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS for Contingencies by Lieut
the removal and Subsistence of **Indians**, in the Quarter ending the Thirtieth

DATES.	Number of Voucher.	To Whom Paid.	For what Paid.
31st May 1832	1	Public Teamsters	Services as Teamsters.
29th " "	2	Charles M M'Clellan	Services as Clerk Ind. Dep
" " "	3	John S M'Clellan	" " issuing Comms.
30 " "	4	John S M'Clellan	Travelling expenses to the Creek Ag.
15th June			for purchase of Corn Ind. Subs
	5	William Bowyer	Services. as putting pork in Bar
30th " "	6	John S M'Clellan	Travelling expenses to Crawford Court
			for purchase of corn Ind Subs
			& transportation of Provisions
30 " "	7	Lt. G. I. Rains	Pay & Emoluments as Dep. Asst. Com.
" " "	8	Sarah P Nick	Stationary
" " "	9	Charles M M'Clellan	For services as Clerk Ind. D
" " "	10	John S M'Clellan	" " as aforesaid

Signed Triplicate

Lt. G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for
[illegal] day of June 1883

	Amount.	REMARKS.
	305.00 $ 387 67	Paying public Wagons
Dept:	$ 150.00	
wagon	$ 150.00	
Agency		
subsistence	$ 11 50	
Public Warehouse	3 00	Collecting & putting pork in public Ware House which was scattered by the late rise in Ark river
ust House		
subsistence		
ions —	$ 14.00	
Do. corn	$ 183.00	
	$ 9.12½	
Dept	$ 50.00	
Commissary	$ 50.00	
	$ 908.29½	

$ 925 62½

I Certify on Honor, that the above Abstract is just and true,

G. J. Rains
Lt & Dis. Agt.
Do. Corn

ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *for Transportation by De*

the removal and Subsistence of **Indians,** *in the Quarter ending the* *Thirt*

DATES.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.
1st May 1833	1	John Rogers	30 lb Pork Subsistence of Ds
20th " "	2	Thomas Wall	Ferriage of U. S. Teams acrs
24th " "	3	Montgomery & Miller	1 bbl Flour. Subsistence of Ds
15th June "	4	Christian Spring	1 Horse
31 " "	5	Sarah P Nicks	70 lb Sugar, 40 lb Coffee & 47 lb
" " "	6	Eliza C McClellan	32 lb Pork @ 4 cents per lb
" " "	7	David McClellan	708 lb " " " " "

Eliza C McClellan

L. G. I. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for

the day of June 1833

	AMOUNT.	REMARKS.
Teamsters	✓ $ 1.50 ✓	
Interpreters	✓ 82.25 ✓	To obtain Treaty Articles for transportation of Removing from Fort Smith A. T.
Teamsters	✓ 8.00 ✓	
	✓ 70.00 ✓	For use of U. S. Teamsters in feeding Public Oxen
Bacon	✓ 24.62½ ✓	" Subsistence of U. S. Teamsters, in letter from C. C. I. dated Augt. 17. 1833. approving this payment
	✓ 1.28 ✓	" " " " " "
	✓ 28.32 ✓	" " " " " "
	✓	
	✓ $ 215.97½	

Certify on Honor, *that the above Abstract is just and true.*

G. I. Rains
Lt. & Dis. Agt.
Ch. Nation.

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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *on Account of Subsistence &*

the removal and Subsistence of **Indians,** *in the Quarter ending the* *Th*

DATE.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	PORK. Barrels.	PORK. lbs.	BEEVES. Number & estimated Wgt.	Slaughtered Beef Pounds.	FLOUR. Barrels.	FLOUR. lbs.
25th June 1833	1	Matthew Moore			✓	22115		
" " "	2	Matthew Moore				4740		
						✓ 26855		

Sgnd Triplicates

Note.—*When any change is made for which there is no* **Head,** *to wit, for* **Transportation,** *it may be described in the Space for* **Remarks.**

Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for

tieth day of June 1833

Corn Meal.	CORN.		SALT.		RATIONS.			AMOUNT.		
Pounds.	Bushels.	Quarts.	Bushels	Quarts	Number.			Dollars.	Cents.	
								597	10½	At purchase 7
								138	00	1st Quarter 1833.
								735	10½	

Certify on Honor, *that the above Abstract is just and true.*

G. J. Rains
Lt. & Dis. Agt.
Co. 2 Dra

Choctaw Agency
June 25th 1833

To Lieut J. D. Rains 1st

I will furnish the cattle
agreeable to your advertisement at eight Dollars and
eightyeight cents and eightmills
per head

Wm H Winterbey

Agency Choctaws 23

Col. Thos. Mc Kenney

Mr Lumpkin.

Choctaw agency

Sept 15th 1834

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Choctaw Agency Jan 25th 1823

To Lt G. I. Pains
Ass Dressing Agent
Choctaw removal

Mob

Sir

I propose to fill the
Beef Contract, agreeable to your advertisement
of the 13th of the present Month, at seven Dollars
and 99 Cents per head

Very respectfully your obt
Servt

Mathew Gwynne

Proposals furnishing Cattle
at Cho. Agency near Pt Smith

Z Lp S. S. Rains

Dis Agt

Cho [illegible]
Cho Agency

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Ft Smith Ar June 28th 1833-

Lt Col Rains

Dis Sr

I will furnish one hundred and
ninety eight head of Cattle the number required
in your advertisment for the Choctaws
bearing date the 13th inst— To be delivered
at the Choctaw Agency West— for $7.75 each
head-

Respectfully your Obt Servt

Silas Colvill

Bids &c

Lieut. G. J. Raines

Choctaw Agency

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Fort Smith June 27 1833

Lieut G. J. Rains

Sir your notice to Mr Colvills informing him that his bids have obtained the Contract for cattle was handed me this day by Capt Stewart he Mr Colvills understood yesterday that he have obtained the Contract and waited till 4 o clock this morning for a notice from you and was compelled to start at that time to collect the Cattle for that and the Cherokee Contract in order to get them there in time He informed me that he would be here on Saturday evening with the Cattle and be at the Agency with them on Sunday evening — He authorised me to attend to any business in his Country room that might need attention in his absence the Cattle to fill the Contract at the agency are purchased and will be on their way for that place in the Course of this day

Respectfully your

Most Obt Servt

G. Hunt

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(Copy)

Emigrating of Indians,
Office Commy. Genl. Subsistence,
June 9th, 1833.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 10th May. A copy of mine of the 9th of that Month is enclosed herewith. By this letter you will perceive the reasons which have prevented me from answering your previous communications. These reasons still exist, but it will not be many days before I shall be enabled to instruct you fully in relation to your duties.

The allowance of one dollar and a quarter a day, in addition to your pay in the line, will be made to you from the 1st of January last. But as you have probably drawn $20 a month, as acting Assistant Commissary up to this time, you will be entitled to the difference between the per diem and this amount.

You will cease drawing Assistant Commissary's pay on the 30th June instant, and thenceforth, until otherwise directed, you will draw the $1,25- from the Indian Fund.

The total amount per diem for the two quarters of the present year, ending 30th instant, one hundred and eighty-two days, at $1,25,

is

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is ---------- $227. 50
From which deduct the pay of Assistant
Commissary, at 20$ a Month 120. 00
Balance due Lt. Rains 1st July, 1832, ... $107. 50

The balance will be paid you by Capt.
Brown.

Respectfully &c
(Signed) Geo: Gibson, C.G.S.

To
Lieutenant G. J. Rains
Agent Removal and Subsistence Indians,
Fort Smith.

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ESTIMATE of **FUNDS** required in the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaw Indians, for the Quarter ending 30th June 1833 with the Application in detail, intended to be made of them, by Lt G.J. Raind Disb. Agt. ch. rem. & Sub.

	For Stationary	3	00
"	Forage for Teams	460	00
"	Subsistence of Teamsters, these items thought sufficient in addition to former estimate, as part of the Teams have been, and more will be ordered back to Little Rock	147	00
*	For pay of Disbursing Agt. assistant & Clerk	892	00
"	4 months pay for 15 Teamsters deemed to be necessary	300	00

* Lieut Rains has been directed to specify in detail the application of this Item.

J Brown
Capt Q.M.

Deduct Amount estimated to remain on Hand

Amount required $1802.00

Signed
Duplicates

G. J. Rains
Lt & Disb. Agent
Qud. Mem. & Cals.

ESTIMATE of **FUNDS** required in the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaw Indians, for the Quarter ending 31st March 1833 with the Application in detail, intended to be made of them, by Lt. G. S. Rains Disb Agt. Ch. rem. & sub.

For Stationary	$	2	50
. the building of Public Corn Cribs		175	00
" Purchase of Salt, the former estimate having been found too small by		200	00
. Provisions purchased for Choctaw Emigrants (subsistence)		1300	00
" Forage for Teams		2250	00
" Subsistence of Teamsters		630	00
* . Pay of Disbursing Agent, assistant, and clerk		573	00
. Commutation tickets of 1831.		160	00
" Pay of Teamsters to supply their temporary wants		267	00

* Search Rooms Has been directed to specify in detail the application of this Stores

J Brown
Capt U.S.A.

Deduct Amount estimated to remain on Hand		
Amount required	$ 5557	50

Signed Duplicates

G. J. Rains
Lt. & Dist. Agent.
Fed. Arm. & Sab.

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Circular

Emigration of Indians,
Office Commy. Genl. Subsist.ce
January 24, 1838.

Sir:

The following Statement of "emolu=ments" to be allowed to Officers acting under my directions as disbursing Agents in the removal and subsistence of Indians, will govern you in making your accounts for extra pay in this service.

Pay per Month - - $ 20 - - - - -		$240, 00
Quarters, two rooms, at $ 10 each $ 20 - - -		240, 00
Forage, two horses, at $ 8 each	16 - - -	192, 00
Fuel, 24 Cords per Annum, at $ 2½ a cord, or		
5 per Month - - - - - - -		60, 00
Per Month 61$; per Annum —		$732, 00

Respectfully &c
(Signed) Geo: Gibson C. G. S.

Lieut. G. J. Rains
Agent Removal and Sub: Indians
Fort Smith. A. T.

Enrg 53. Choctaw

L. N. R. Ryan

26 July 1833

Mouth Arkansas

Acknowledging the

Reception of letter of

14th Inst.

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Rec.d 2 Sept

Mouth of Arkansas River
24th July 1833

Major S. H. Hooke
Acting Com.rs Gen.l of Subsistence

Sir.

I hereby have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of a letter of the 12th ult. from your Department concerning the balance due from me to the Depentanent on the settlement of my accounts as an agent in removing and Subsisting the Choctaws, the amount due from me is stated to be $3.31/100. When I drew my last pay, up to the date of my resignation, from Major Randall I wrote him requesting him to deduct from their amount four dollars to cover the balance due from me, he did so, I did not at the time know the exact amount of the balance, but knew it to be between $3 and $4.

As to the roads it would be valuable to the Choctaws this fall, and to the Creeks during the time that they may be moving and even when the Emigration of Indians may be entirely closed, the road will be valuable

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for the white population, so that the money would not be thrown away in the construc= =tion of the road. The point is the best one that a road can be made from to the high= =lands on the West side of the Mississippi between the mouth of the Ohio and New Orleans. and the distance to the high lands is less than from any other point along the whole extent of river above referred to. also this road passes through some of the best lands in the Territory which at present are laying in a state of nature, being known to best few and those few not cultivating them on account of the great difficulty of getting to and from them.

Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
S. H. P. Pyne

Enrg 54 Choctaw

W. Reclor

Sept 17th 1833.

State Book

In reply to letter of 20th Aug

and explanatory of his accounts

Rec.d 8 Oct

Little Rock
1st Sept. 1838

Sir

Yours of the 20th of August has been duly received in which I am directed to turnover to Capt. Brown the sum of $4.44. This I have done, and forwand to you his receipt —

With regard to R. M. Jones
The facts are as follows, — The $100 advanced by me to Jones in Nov. 1837. who was put in charge of all the Indian Horses belonging to the party of Indians, was given to him to pay his expences thro' the Chickasaw swamp, from Pickensburgh to the Post of Arkansas, which he intercepted The Main Party, owing to the coldness of the weather and the bad state of the swamp, Jones was between 30 & 40 days on the way, and the Money in question was, no doubt, expended for forage for the Horses & subsistence for the accompanying Indians and Negroes — It was supposed that Jones had between 4 & 500 Horses when

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whom he Crossed the Mississippi. and from all the information I could ever obtain on the subject- upwards of two hundred of them, died by Starvation On the way. and I cannot but think a Hundred dollars would go but a small way in their transportation and Subsistence, Had they Received their just allowance, I

Should a further Statement be required I shall have to apply to Jones (who resides in the Choctaw Nation, if his Statement wont do, I shall have to Refund the money. — Thats all

(The Cause of the Superiors overallowance to Alfred Wade happened in this way Wade first drew 10 days Rations, and proceeded on his journey. He became fearful however, That his Rations would be insufficient to last him through the Swamp and returned for a further Supply which I gave him in Bacon, & this overallowance did not serve the party Safe way to the Port of Rollows As they were about 20 days in the Swamp without any other assistance whatever from the U. States.)

In regard to the Flour and Bread delivered to Byrd & Belding I can say nothing at present as I have no papers with me to which I can refer. and more especially in the absence of Capt Brown who left here this morning for St Louis—

With respect to the Two Oxen and Horse turned over to Lt Stephenson.— that I presume is satisfactorily explained by Capt Brown—

So soon as I can have access to my papers (which are not here) your other wishes will be attended to.—

Respectfully
your Obt Servt
W. Rector
Asst Agt Chactaw
Rivers

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Emig. 33 Choctaw

Lt. G. J. Rains

Sept. 12th 1833.

Choctaw Agency

The flour and pork on hand he will perhaps be able to issue—

Sends Abstracts of Disbursements for Aug.

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Rec'd 15 Oct

Choctaw Agency West
September 12th 1833

Genl Ges. Gibson
Com'y Genl Sub.
Washington City

Sir. I have the honor herewith to forward Abstracts of Disbursments for the Month of August 1833. including an Abstract of Disbursments of Agency expences according to your instructions, to be deducted from the Sum total of my Disbursments in order to balance the appropriations for carrying the Treaty into effect & the removal and subsistence of Indians. No abstracts for Disbursments for the Month of July were forwarded, as none were made, when I was absent at Little Rock for the purpose of getting funds.

In Settling the Debts contracted by the Choctaw Agent and his Assistant, I have endeavoured to Confine myself strictly to your directions of 31st January last, but as all these debts are not taken up an ultimate balance of the appropriations can not be made until further payments and an other Abstract.

The Flour I have on hand and perhaps the Pork, I will be able to issue to the Indians. I have let Lieut Davis Asst Com'y. at Fort Smith have a supply of provision for the Command there, of which I have since learned from him you approve.

At Pheasant Bluff and Cavande Depot to the Choctaws have raised tolerably good crops of Corn, enough perhaps for the Coming year for themselves, but at this place they have failed, principally on account of the overflow of the Ark. River, they are now suffering much from Sickness, about one hundred died last month from various diseases.

Majr Armstrong arrived with his family here last ~~night~~ day and requests me to say that he will write you in a few days when he will give you a development of his plans.

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for mustering the Indians to pay them Commutation and of
next removal from Rock Roe to their Country West.

I am Sir
very respectfully
your Mo. Obt. Servt
G. J. Raines Bt. 1. A
A. A. Dis. Agent
Jad. Dem & Dist.

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT of Disbursements for the Transpo

August , 1833 , by Lieut G. I. Rains Dist

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dolls
1st August 1833	E. C. McClellan	494 Bushels corn @ 85½ Cts.	4
3d " "	Hugh Knox	1776¾ " " " 50 Cts	8
20th " "	Lockwood Shelton	50 lbs flour - 4 lbs sugar - 2¾ lbs coffee & drayage	
6th " "	Jas Murphey	304 Bushels corn 45 Cts	1
28th " "	Benj Moore	91½ " " 50 Cts - & 500 lbs fodder @ 1.5	
1st " "	Adam Carnahan	100 " " 62½ Cts.	6
2d " "	Bennett Webb	170 " " 40 Cts	1
3d " "	E Cunningham	5 bbls flour @ 7.50	
17th " "	Alfred Oliver	300 Bushels corn 45 Cts -	1
17th " "	Pickett & Gregg	134 lbs sugar 12½ Cts - 80 lbs Coffee 25 Cts -	
16th " "	Randolph & Kathly	5 bbls flour @ 8.	4
			$18

I Certify that the above Ac

Dated September 1st, 1833.

ɪrtation of the *Choctaw* **Indians** *for the Month of*

bursing Agent of the United States Indian Removal

ars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
22	37	An Account of 20th Dec. 1832
84	37½	" " " 1st Quarter 1833
5	00	" " " 11th February "
36	80	" " " 14th April "
53	25	" " " 4th March "
12	50	" " " 4th January "
18	00	" " " 20th March "
37	50	" " " 1st April "
75	00	" " " 13th April "
16	75	" " " 30th June "
20	00	" " " 27th May "
85	54½	

ıstract *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed *Triplicate* *G J Davis U. S. A.*
Ast & Dis. Agent

In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements made for Carrying the Treaty of Indians by Lieut. G. G. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United S Order of 31st January 1833. in the Month of August 1833 being

Date	To Whom Paid	For What &.
19th August 1833	Martin & Tuttle	28½ Bushels corn @ 50 Cts.
17th " "	Abraham Standifer	For Hauling Public property from .
16th " "	L. W. Wallace	" " " " "
16th " "	Lepa Goddard	" " " " "
17th " "	Pickett & Gregg	2125 lb. Iron 10 Cts — 9 223 lb. Steel

I Certify that the above Abstract is just and true

Dated 1st September 1833.

Treaty into effect between the United States and the Choctaw Nation
nited States for the Removal of Indians, according to the Com.y Genl.
33 being debts contracted by the Choctaw Agent.

at Paid	Dollars	Cents	Remarks
C.y	14	25	An account of March 1832
from Arkansas to Red river	246	72	" " " 27th Oct.r & 19th Dec.r 1832
" " " " "	54	48	" " " 27th October "
" " " " "	28	28	" " " November "
& Steel @ 25. C.y.	268	25	" " " 10th Dec.r 1832. 2nd & 4th Jan.y 27th & Feby. & 22d May 1833

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Subsist*

August , 1833 , by *Lieut G. J. Rains Dis*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dol
7th August 1833	Jonas Bigelow	1113 Bushels & 20 Quarts Corn @ 10.	
		& 32½ Bushels Salt @ 2 37½	13
17th " "	Pickett & Gregg	33½ Bushels Salt @ 2 37½	
30 " "	Hugh Knox	203½ Bushels corn @ 50 ¢ —	1

ence of the Choctaw **Indians** for the Month of

ibursing Agent of the United States Indian Removal

ollars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
302	76¾	An Account of 12th June 1833
79	56¼	" " " " "
01	62½	" " " 1st Quarter "
483	95¼	

Abstract *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed Duplicate

G. J. Rains Bt. U. S. A.
Lt. & Dis. Agent.

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT of Disbursements for the Conting

August , 1833 , by Lieut-G. I Rains Disb

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Doll
22D August 1833	Enos Murphey	Building Corn Crib a Cavanals Depot	3
18th "	Lockwood Shelton	Stationary	1
19th " "	Lockwood Shelton	1 pad lock	
16th " "	Mc Coffee & Co	5 lb Rope (manuella) 25 Cts.	1
4th " "	Geo. Fletcher	Actual expences incurred in purchase of Corn	
19th " "	Martin S Tuttle	24¾ Gallons Tar @ 125	3
4th " "	John G Rains	Building Corn Crib	2
8th " "	Chah pah tubbee	Carrying Expres to Pheasant Bluff Depot	
4th " "	Mark Griffee	Ferrying Emigrant Choctaws over Petiau river	3
18th " "	Willis Conant	Carrying expres from Pheasant Bluff to this place	
17th " "	Pickett & Gregg	Sundries as Nails, Tar, Tallow, & &	4
1st " "	Lt. G. I. Rains	Transportation to & from Little Rock	2
7th " "	John S McClellan	Actual expences incured travelling to & from L. Rock	2
4th " "	Geo Fletcher	Services as U. S Wagon Master	21
3D " "	U. S. Teamsters	" " " Teamsters	102
7th " "	John T. Fulton	" " apt. Agent Ind. Removal	43
7th " "	Charles M. McClellan	" " Clerk Ind. Dept.	10
7th " "	John S. McClellan	" " issuing Com'y. Ind. Dept.	10
			-
			$22

I Certify that the above Ac

Dated September 1st, 1833.

ncies of the Choctaw **Indians** for the Month of

sing Agent of the United States Indian Removal

	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
5	00	An Account of 1st February 1833
	00	" " " 15 Dec.r 1832. 23 & 29th Janry. 1833
	50	" " " 11th Febry. 1833
	75	" " " 19th April "
	50	" " " 15th June "
	31¼	" " " 28th Dec.r 1832
	00	" " " 4th July 1833
	00	" " " 6th " "
	87½	" " " 3d 14th 17th & 21st April "
	80	" " " 15th August "
	40	" " " 30th June "
	00	" " " 1st August "
	00	" " " 31st July "
	00	" " " 30th June "
	84½	" " " " " "
	00	" " " " " "
	00	" " " " " "
	00	" " " " " "
	98¼	

act *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed (Duplicates) L. J. Rains U. S. A.
Ft. y Dis. Agent.

In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.

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Choctaw

No. 6. J. Kains

Choctaw Agency Aug.o

20th 1833

Explains a charge of Mr Jno McClellan's

in Abst. Sub. Contgo. voucher 13 3d Qr 1833

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Recd. Nov. 26

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comy. Genl Sub
Washington City D.C.

Choctaw Agency
October 26th 1833

Sir. Herewith I have the honor to forward a property Return. Return of provisions received and issued & an Account Current for 3d Quarter 1833 with proper Abstracts.

I am in want of Blanks which has necessarily compelled me to write many of my forms, and my accounts are a few days later than ordinary—on account of sickness.

Previous to receipt of yours of the 17th August last I had forwarded an Abstract of Expenditures for transportation of Treaty articles to Red river &c which has probably been received before this.

My going to Little Rock for funds in July last having been generally known throughout the Country; for better security, I thought it necessary to take Mr. John. McClellan with me—hence Voucher No. 13. in Disbursements for Contingencies which, I had the honor to submit.

A part of the old pork on hand I had advertised for sale there were no bidders. But the new lot of Pork & Flour received from Capt. Taylor Comy. the Indians are eager to get—& I am issuing it to them according to your instructions.

When the Military Command was cutting the road anew to Red river, being as stated, in great need of Wagons and Teams, I lent them one, and reported it to Capt. Brown Asst. Dis. Agt. Ind. Affrs. Provisions for the Teamster, Lieut. Six issues, and informs me that he has included them in his Return of issue to Soldiers.

The following letters have been received in the Quarter dated 4th June & 17th August 1833. & Copies of letters dated the 16th March & 13th August 1833.

I am Sir
very respectfully
your Mo. Obt. Servt
G. J. Rains Lt. & Dis. Agt. C.A. Affrs

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P.S. The sickness and mortality in this District has been very great during the last Quarter. No of deaths have not yet been ascertained but at this Depot they Amount to about 165. the diseases are of a billious nature I believe.

Majr. Armstrong Cho. Agent left here about the eighteenth Inst. to attend to the removal of Indians.

very respectfully

G. J. R.

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Dr. The **United States,** in Account current with Lieut G. T. Ra

ending the Thirtieth day of September 1833

DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS
3rd Quarter 1833	Per Abstract of Disbursements for Subsistence	1483	95½
	" " " " Transportation	2594	42
	" " " " Contingencies	3284	31
	" " " " Ord. Agency Accounts	611	98
	This Amount due the United States	941	53
		$ 8916	19.

I Certify that the abov

Signed Duplicate

Rains Dis Agent. on account of the removal and subsistence of Indians, for the Quarter

Cr.

CENTS.	DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS.
25½	30th June 1833	By Cash due the U. S. per last Statement	215	33¾
42	22d July "	By Cash Rec'd of Capt. J Brown Prin. Dis. Ag't Ind. Rem.	7000	00
31	7th August "	By Cash Received of Capt. J Brown Prin. Dis. Ag't. Ind. Rem.	1302	76¾
98	20th " "	By Cash Rec'd of Capt J. Brown Prin. Dis. Ag't Ind Rem.	354	40
53	30th " "	" " " " " " " " " " "	43	69
19½			8916	19½

love account of monies received and expended by me in the period above stated, is just and true.

G. J. Rains Lt. U. S. A.
& Dis. Ag't. Ind rem & Subs

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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS for Contingencies by Lieut L.

Indians, for the Quarter ending the thirtieth

DATES.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.
22d. Augt. 1833.	1	Enos Murphey	Build'g Corn Crib at Cavanals de.
18 " "	2	Lockwood Shelton	Stationery
19 " "	3	Ditto	1 Padlock
16 " "	4	A. Coffee & Co	5 7/8 lbs Rope Manille 1 at 25 cts per lb
4 " "	5	Geo Fletcher	Act. Exp's. incurred in purchas of Corn
19 " "	6	Martin & Tuttle	24 7/8 gals Tar at 1.25 per gallon
4 " "	7	John G. King	Building Corn Crib at Agency Depot
8 " "	8	chair-pad. table	Carrying expenses to Pheasant Bluff
4 " "	9	Mark Griffen	Ferrying Emigrant Choctaws over Ar
18 " "	10	Willis Conant	Carrying Expenses from Pheasant Bluff &c
17 " "	11	Pickett & Gregg	Sundries Bl Nails Tar Tallow &
7 " "	12	Lieut G. J Rains	Transp't. to & from Little Rock
7 " "	13	John S. McClellan	actual expenses incurred to & from L
4 " "	14	Geo Fletcher	Services as Dis. Wagon Master —
17 " "	15	Dis. Teamsters	" " " Teamster —
7 " "	16	John F Lytton	" " asst. Agent —
7 " "	17	Chas. M. McClellan	" " Clerk to Disbg A.
7 " "	18	John S. McClellan	" " Issuing Commissary
25 Sept. "	19	William Winlock	" " Dis. Teamsters &c
25 " "	20	Saml. Putnam	" " " "
30 " "	21	William Rupel	" " " "
30 " "	22	O. F. Smith	" " " "
30 " "	23	Chas. M. McClellan	Extra duty asstg to Indians
30 " "	24	Pickett & Gregg	Sundries & Nails tar Rope &tal
30 " "	25	Lieut G. J. Rains	Services as Disbursing Agent Rem
30 " "	26	John F. Lytton	" " Assistant "
30 " "	27	Chas. M. McClellan	" " Clerk —
30 " "	28	John S. McClellan	" " Issuing Commissary —
30 " "	29	Saml. Richbourg	" " Dis. Teamsters —
30 " "	30	E. B. McClellan	Feeding public horse —

G. J. Raines ——— Disbursing Agent in the Removal and Subsistence of

th Day of September — 1833.

	AMOUNT.		REMARKS.
& depot	55	"	An acct. of 1st Feby 1833.
	10	"	" " 15 Dec. 1832. 23 & 29 Jany 1833
		50	" " 11 Feby 1833.
&	14.	75	" " 19 apl. 1833
of Com	4.	50	" " 15 June "
Com	30.	31½	" " 28 Dec. 1832
Depot	25.	"	" " 4 July 1833
& Bay depot	3.	"	" " 6 " "
on Potean R	30.	87½	" " 3. 14. 17 & 21. apl. 1833
& off depot to off	2.	80	" " 15 augt. 33
& Dec	49	40	" " 30 June "
	32	"	" " 1 augt. "
hon R.	25	"	" " 31 July "
	200	"	" " 30 June "
	1086	84½	" " " " "
	488	--	" " " " "
by Agt.	100	..	" " " " "
Gray	100	.	" " " " "
Expenses	7	50	
	8	66½	
	32	25	
	60	-	
	5.	00	
& Stationery	22	16½	
Rem. of 2	183.	"	
" "	368	.	
" "	150	"	
" "	150	-	
" "	27	74	
	1/2	50	July 1 1832

Dollars 3284 .31

I Certify on Honor, that the above Abstract is just and true.

B. J. Raines

Lt. & Agt Jud. Rem.

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Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies by Lieut G.O. Removal and Subsistence of Indians, in the Quarter ending

Date	No. of Voucher	To Whom Paid	For What G
22nd August 1833	1	Enos Murphey	Building Corn Crib at Cavanol
18 " "	2	Lockwood Shelton	Stationary
19 " "	3	Lockwood Shelton	One pad Lock
16 " "	4	H. Coffee Agt	59 ft. Rope (Manmella, at 25.
4 " "	5	George Fletcher	Actual expences encurred in pu
19 " "	6	Martin S Tuttle	24 1/4 Gallons Tar at $1.25
4 " "	7	John G King	Building Corn Crib at Agency &
8 " "	8	Chah pah tubbee	Carrying express to Pheasant Bluff &
4 " "	9	Mark Griffee	Carrying Emigrant Choctaws ov. &
18 " "	10	Willis Conant	Carrying express from Pheasant Bluff
17 " "	11	Pickett & Gregg	Sundries as nails, Tar, Tallow
7 " "	12	St. G. T. Rains	Transportation to & from Little Roc
7 " "	13	John J McClellan	Actual expences encurred travelling
4 " "	14	George Fletcher	Services as United State Tra
3 " "	15	U S Teamsters	" " " " Lit
7 " "	16	John T Fulton	" " Assistant Agent Ind
7 " "	17	Charles M McClellan	" " Clerk Ind. Dep't
7 " "	18	John J McClellan	" " Issuing Commissary
25th September	19	William Winlock	" " U. S. Teamster
25th "	20	Samuel Putnam	" " " " "
30 " "	21	William Pickell	" " " " "
30 " "	22	B. F. Smith	" " " " "
30 " "	23	Charles M McClellan	Extra duty as Issuing & Qua
30 " "	24	Pickett & Gregg	Sundries as nails, Tar, Rope
30 " "	25	St. G. T. Rains	Services as Disb. Agt. Ind. Rem
30 " "	26	John T Fulton	" " Assistant " Dep't
30 " "	27	Chas M McClellan	" " Clerk Ind. Dep't
30 " "	28	John J McClellan	" " Issuing Com'y. Ind
30 " "	29	Samuel Rickbourg	" " U. S. Dr. mst
30 " "	30	E.G. McClellan	Feeding Public horse

J.

t G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for the
nding the Thirtieth day of September 1833.

t Paid	Amount	Remarks
Cavanole Depot	$ 55.00	An Account of 1st Feby 1833
	10.00	" " 15th Dec. 1832. 23d Jany 1833
	50	" " 11th Feby 1833
at 25 ℔	14.75	" " " 19th April "
3 in purchase of Corn	4.50	" " " 15 June "
25	30 31¼	" " " 28th Dec. 1832
Agency Depot	25.00	" " " 4th July 1833
Bluff Depot	3.00	" " " 6th "
	2.62	" " " 30 " "
ut Bluff Depot to this place		" " " 3.14 "
Tallow 46 46	2.80	" " " 15th August "
tle Rock	49.40	" " " 30th June "
ravelling to & from Little Rock	25.00	" " " 1st August "
ate Dragoon Master Qud Dept	200.00	" " " 31st July "
" Teamsters "	1086.84½	" " " 30th June "
ent Qud. Rem. & Sub	488.00	" " " " " "
Capt	100.00	" " " " " "
ne Spring Qud Dept	100.00	" " " " " "
master & going express.	7.50	
"	8.66½	
"	32.25¾	
"	60.00	
& Indians	5.00	
r. Rope & Stationary	22.16½	
ud Rem & Sub.	183.00	for 1st, 2d & 3d
" "	368.00	
" Dept	150.00	
y. Qud Dept	150.00	
Do. master	27.74	
	13.00	" " " July 1832.
	$3284.31	

I Certify on Honor, that the Above Abstract is just & true
in Quad Duplicate

G. J. Rains Lt. R. D. A.
& Dis Agent Qud. rem & Subs

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Abstract of Disbursments made for carrying the Treaty into effect between the Unit
of the United States for the Removal of Indians according to Order of the Commissary General dated 3

Dates	No. of Vouchr.	To Whom Paid	For What P.
19th. August 1833	1	Martin & Tuttle	2813 Bushels of Corn at 50 ¢
17th "	2	Abraham Standifer	Hauling Public property from &c.
16th "	3	L. W. Wallace	" " "
16th "	4	Vesta Goddard	" " "
17th "	5	Pickett & Grizzy	2125 lb Corn at 10 ¢ — 6 3/4 H.

V.

tween the United States and the Choctaw Nation of Indians by N. G. Reins Disbursing Agent
General dated 30th Jany 1833. in the Quarter ending 30th day of Sept 1833. debts Contracted by the Choctaw Agent.

Or What Paid	Dollars	Cents	Remarks
to 50 Ps	14	25	An Account of March 1832
by from Arkansas to Red River	346	72	" " " 27th Oct & 19th Nov.
" " " " "	54	48	" " " 27 Oct 2 "
" " " "	28	28	" " " Nov. 1832
— 95 Bbl Meal at 25 Ps —	268	25	" " " 10th Dec. 1832 & [redacted] 24th Jany & 27th Feby & 22d May 1833
	611	98	

I Certify that the above Abstract is just and true

Signed Triplicates

G. G. Reins Lt. U. S. A.
& Dis. Agent for Choctaws

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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *for Transportation by the removal and Subsistence of* Indians, *in the Quarter ending the* Thir

DATES.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.
1st August 1833	1	Eliza C McClellan	494 Bushels Corn at 85¢
3d " "	2	Hugh Knox	1776¾ " " 50
20 " "	3	Lockwood Shelton	50 lbs Flour - 4 lb. Sugar &
6 " "	4	James Murphey	304 Bushels Corn @ 45.¢
28 " "	5	Benjamin Moore	91½ " " 50¢
1 " "	6	Adam Carnahan	100 " " " 62½
2 " "	7	Bennett Webb	170 " " " 40.¢
3 " "	8	Ed. Cunningham	5 bbls Flour @ $7.50
17 " "	9	Alford Oliver	300 Bushels Corn @ 45.¢
17 " "	10	Pickett & Gregg	134 lb Sugar @ 12½ & 80 lb C.
16 " "	11	Randolph & Keathly	5 bbls Flour @ $8.
27 Sept. "	12	Matthew Arbuckle	1157¼ Bushels Corn @ 50.¢
11 " "	13	Susan Flagner	126 " " " 40.
26 " "	14	John Rogers	331 lb Bacon @ 10¢
30 " "	15	Pickett & Gregg	108 lb Sugar - 6½ lb. Coffee @ 12½
30 " "	16	H. Coffee Agt	3 Bushels Salt - $1.75
30th " "	17	D McClellan	49 lb Bacon at 12½ cents

Signed Triplicate

Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for

tieth day of September 1833

	AMOUNT.	REMARKS.
2 C	422. 87	For Account of 20th Oct. 1832
1 C	484. 37½	" " 1st Quarter 1833
1 C	5. 00	" " 11th Feby "
2¾ # coffee & drayage	136. 80	" " 14th April "
1 C	53. 25	" " 4th March "
1500 # sodium @ 4½	62. 50	" " 4 Jany "
1 C	68. 00	" " 20 March "
2 C	37. 50	" " 1st April "
1 C	135. 00	" " 13th April "
1 C	36. 75	" " 30th June "
1 C 25 #	40. 00	" " 27 May "
1 C	578 62½	" " 20th Jany "
1 C	50. 40	" " 28 Feby "
1 C	33. 10	" " 27th May "
1 bushel salt	35 37½	" " 30th Septr. "
1 C	5. 25	" " 18th July "
1 C	6. 12½	" " July "
	$2594. 42	

Certify on Honor, *that the above Abstract is just and true.*

G. J. Rains Lt. R. V. A.
& Dis. Agent Ind. Affrs Subs.

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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *on Account of Subsistence &c.*

the removal and Subsistence of **Indians,** *in the Quarter ending the* Thir

DATE.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	PORK. Barrels.	PORK. lbs.	BEEVES. Number & estimated Wgt.	Slaughtered Beef Pounds.	FLOUR. Barrels	FLOUR. lbs.
7th Augt. 1833	1	Jonas Bigelow						
17 " "	2	Pickett & Gregg						
30 " "	3	Hugh Knox						

Signed Triplicate

Note.—*When any change is made for which there is no* **Head,** *to wit, for* **Transportation,** *it may be described in the Space for* **Remarks.**

by Sciut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for

irtieth day of September 1833

Corn Meal.	CORN.		SALT.		RATIONS.			AMOUNT.		
Pounds.	Bushels.	Quarts.	Bushels	Quarts	Number.			Dollars.	Cents.	
	1113	20	32	24				1302	76½	Purchases As Account of 12 June 1833
			33	16				79	56½	" " " " "
	203	8						101	62½	" " " Mil. Dr. "
	1316	28	66	8				1483	95½	

Certify on Honor, *that the above Abstract is just and true.*

G. J. Rains Lt. R. M. As
& Dis. Agt Gud. corn & Salt

203 4
10
101 5 0
12½

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Emig[n] U.S. Choctaws

Lt. G. J. Rains

Choctaw Agency 4th

Nov. 1833.

Sends a Statement from Col.

The Indians must suffer

for want of provisions which

they cannot procure in time.

Has requested no Number of Cl

Speaks of the great

Interest they manifest among Indians

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Rec'd Dec 18

Genl. Jno. Gibson
Com.y Genl Sub
Washington

Choctaw Agency
Nov.r 4th 1833.

Sir. Herewith I have the honor to forward Monthly Abstracts of Disbursements for October 1833.

A large portion of the Choctaws in this District cease to draw provision on 15th December next and having lost their Crops by the great overflow of the Arkansas River, have but little, and many of them nothing to subsist upon afterwards.

The mortality among these people, since the beginning of the fall, as far as ascertained, amounts to one fifth of the whole number. The causes of so many Deaths probably arise from Change of Climate, the overflow of the Arkansas River & having no Physician among them, except their own Doctors who are Conjurors & Mountebanks.

No communication received from the Department referenced, more than once, has been made to certain Rolls - I have the honor to inform you that I have never received any Rolls or Registers of Emigrants, but as they arrived I have enrolled them myself, with the assistance of my Clerk, for the want of other data upon which to begin my issues of provision.

I am Sir very respectfully
Your Obn Svt Josh. L. Rains Lt. R.A.
& Dis Agent Choctaws.

Lt. G. T. Rains'
Abstract of Disb.
for Contingencies
for October 1863

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sent

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Contingenc*

October , 1833 , *by Lieut G. J. Rains. Disbur*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dollars.
October 5th 1833	Post Office	Postage on public letters.	2
" 27th 1833	" "	" " "	2
" 5th	Noland & Scott	31 yds of Cloth at 2 dlrs 25 cts & thread 37½	8
" 31st	Pickett & Gregg	250 lbs Iron at 10 cts per lb	25
" 31st	Jno. T. Fallon	Services as Asst Agt Ind rem	124
" 31st	Jno. McClellan	" " Spring Commissary Ind Dept	50
" 31st	Ch. McClelland	" " Clerk Ind Dept	50
" 31st	Jno. G. Ring	For a house as an Office Ind Dept	35
" 31st	Anthony Burgess	Services as Ass't Teamster	20
" 31st	Wm Winlock	" " " "	52
" 31st	Pickett & Gregg	2½ bundles of Tape 31½ cts. Bottle of Ink 37½ cts 1 Gal Ink 75 cts + 5 lbs Yellow 67½ cts	2
" 31st	Lt. G. J. Rains.	Services as Disbursing Agent Ind rem	61
			$434

I Certify that the above Abstr

Dated November 1st, 1833

Agency Disbursing Agt C N

gencesof the Choctaws —— **Indians** *for the Month of*

sbursing Agent. M. S. Indian Removal.

Dollars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
2	75	During 2d. Quarter 1833
2	56	" 3d " "
8	12½	For U. S. Wagon Covers engaged in transporting provision
25	50	Do in repairing US Wagons & shoeing public horses since Dec 1832.
124	00	At Choctaw Bluff Depot.
50	00	At Pontaw or Coviuole Depot
50	00	At this place. Arkansas District
35	00	
20	00	
52	10¼	
2	31¼	
61	00	
734	15	

Abstract *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed [illegible]

G. J. Rains Lt. U. S. A
& Disbursing Agent.

In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Transport*

October , 1833 , by Lieut. G. J. Rains

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dollars.
October 8th 1833	Jno. J. Loop	Prairie Hay	16
" 31st "	Jno. Dillard	203 Bushels of Corn at 40 cts	6.
" " "	C. C. Thrasher	100 " " " $2.00	200
" " "	Pickett & Gregg	5 lbs Coffee at 1.25 & 8 lbs Sugar at 1.00	2
			$30

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Dated November 1st, 1833

Arkansas District C. N.

nsportation of the Choctaw **Indians** for the Month of

ints Disbursing Agent R. S. Indians Jan. & Feb.

Dollars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
16	87	For Public Exps
61	20	" " Am't of 14th April 1832.
200	00	" "
2	25	For R. S. Transfers for Dep't.
$300	32	

we **Abstract** *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed Triplicate

G. J. Rains Lt R. S. A.
& Disbursing Agent.

In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.

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Commissary Gen'l of Subs. LR 1833 S-V ChocTaw

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Choctaw

Washington Dec 31st 1832

Relating to Byrd & Belding's business

Enclosure

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Rec'd 3 Jany

Washington City Dec 31st 1872

Dear Genl

I enclose you a letter from Chesley Byrd and Belding respecting their contracts & also respecting the refusal of Capt Mason to pay the voucher which took out Col Casp'l's party of Indians last October from Cove & Hales- If it be the determination of the dept not to pay these claims which I can not believe, I am anxious to know it- If Capt Mason is authorized to pay the claims pressed they from the evidence of the Secretary I do not know it that I may quiet their minds if so- Yours &c

A H Love

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Hon. A. H. Lewis
Washington City
D. C. of Columbia

Mail

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I.V

Little Rock Nov 28th 1882

Dear Sir and is will and dealing will learn we how this day heard by the SB Reindeer that the said hons has got the rest of Louisana Ohio & Pennsylvania shes marks the Clay Boys hang them under Lips we had some Cheering news by last mail from Ky that caused great Rejoicing amgs the Clay boys. It is said here that our friend Bob Crittenden is or will be a Candidate for Congress & think he will miss the mark if he Runs — I wish you to look at the Warr or Commissary Office and mark the enquiry whether or not that Capt Browns bill made and Rapord for Cash has ben attended to and whether or not the money has ben sent to Pay off the Teamsters employed in Hempstead County last years by Capt Bosp Agent in the Removal of the Choctaws, I have ben waiting for 9 months for it now the Result and I think it is high time that Beyrd + Bilding as Contractors was Paid for corn furnished the Teams and that the Persons owning the Teams was Paid for the faithfully corn cornyllers that is due them I do now that some of the agents has ben Rising in there duty or we would have ben Paid, I wish that you would attend to the matter and urge the Payment of the Claims as we are justly entitled to the Pay. Capt Brown says that he sent on a bill made last July and has not heard a word from the Department as yet, attend and write me immediately your friend and obt Servant

R. C. Byrd

Hon.ble

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A. H. Sevier

Washington City

D. C.

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Little Rock 1st November 1832

Dear Sir

As a last resort to obtain Justice, after Living Eight Months in hopes, but now despairing, we Request you to call upon the Executive of the United States and Set forth our situation &c. when the Agent Col. Crosp arrived at Cornfabre in Charge of Choctaws Last Winter, he employed all the Teams that could be got in Hempstead county, for the Removal of Provisions for as soon as they should be discharged, put the Indians and Teams under the Charge of two Assistants whom he appointed and Left the Territory; on Arriving at the place of destination the Teams were discharged with certificates Ordering all to meet at Washington on the 20th February to receive their pay &c the Assistant Agents Came to Capt. Brown for Money to pay the Contracts, who Settled Other Charges, Paid Off the Agents and discharged them, they Immediately Left the Territory and Capt. Brown (the man who the people Looked to for their Money) Refused to pay the Cattizens of Hempstead County, in number Over 40 of the most respectable and Industrious, who Toiled and Lay in Indians Camps, through one of the most Severe Winters ever known in Arkansas, to get Money to pay their debts. When, and not till then, our Situation became Apparent. Col. Crosp and both Assistants had Left the Territory and Capt. Brown the Disbursing Agent, Refused to pay the debts Contracted on behalf of the United States &c. what was to be done &c the Consequence has been

Bishop & Mr Sevier's letter
7 Dec 31. 1832

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repeated Calls upon Capt. Brown and cold refusals on his part, Saying he did not recognise the acts of the Agents East of the Mississippi. (after paying the Assistants some Thousands of Dollars and them individually for their Services). Whether it was the fault of Col. Gaines, Col. Crosp or Capt. Calquhoun, who were all present at Vicksburgh and Arranged for that part of the Removal that funds were not provided, or whether Col. Crosp Alone was in fault (as he took charge of the parts), or if Capt. Brown is in fault for neglect of duty, it is not Our intent at this time, to impeach the Conduct of any of the Government Agents. — we now address you for the only purpose of having an Order for the Speedy payment of the Claims, which in all reasonable Expectation Government will Order without delay on knowing the facts. Also, we request you to represent to the Commissary Gen.t, that we have some Suspended Vouchers (by Capt. Brown) for Provision furnished to Indians on board Steam Boats from Monroe to Carrabie which for want of Form (there being no Agent for the Boats Capt. Brown Refuses to pay, and Likewise, Some Corn furnished near Fort Towson that the Agent made a Return out of Form, in all amount 6 or 700 Dolls which we want Ordered paid if the facts of Furnishing the Same are beyond doubt and the fault not in us, as Contractors. that the papers were irregular.

Respectfully

Honorable
A H Sevier

Byrd & Belding

W B, We Also Hold a promise of Col. Crop for 1/4 Cent
pr. Ration Extra on all Flour Rations we might Issue
— on the Strength of this promise, we took off Government
hands 7 or 8 hundred dollars of Provision & Juice for
the Same — and now Capt. Brown Says we may go to
Col. Crop for pay — we are honestly Entitled to the Extra
pay.

Respectfully
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Emig 36 Choctaw

J. R. Stephenson

December 10th 1832

Fort Towson

Send, Monthly Abstract

for 1000.

Rec'd 14 Jany

Fort Towson (West) of Ark Ty
December 10th 1832

Sir

Herewith enclosed you will perceive my Monthly Abstracts of Disbursements for Subsistence and Contingencies for the Month of November.

The present year's emigration is now at hand, some of the advance parties will reach here tomorrow — every preparation is made for their reception.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Jas. R. Stephenson
1st Lt. U. S. Army
Disby. Agt. Choctaw Nation

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City

MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Contingencies*

November, 1832, by *Lieut James K. Stephenson*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dollars.	C
1832 Nov 10	Hiram Aiment	To building a Corn Crib Half a mile from the mouth of Kiamitia	35	
" 29	Charles Johnson	" " a Dwelling & Cob House at Mountain Fork Depot	60	
" "	Charles Johnson	his services in surveying & fixing premises at the Mountain Fork Depot	18	
" 30	Reuben Traylor	" " " " " " "	5	
" "	Robert M. Barron	Repairing Dwelling House Office Stable &c	14	
		Dolly	127	

I Certify *that the above* Abstra

Dated *December* 1st, 183

gencies of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of

Lieutenant U. S. Army Disby Agt Choctaw Nation

Dollars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
35	00	Close the Agreement
60	00	" "
18	00	Service discontinued
5	00	"
14	00	"
127	00	

Abstract *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed Jas. B. Stapleton
Lt. U. S. Army
Disb. Agt. *In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.*

MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Subsistence*

November, 1832, by *Lieut. James W. Stephenson*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dollars.
1832.			
1st Oct. to 13 Nov.	John Clark	For 2500 Bushels of Corn for issue to the Choctaw Indians	1250
" " " 30 "	Levi Davis	For 2195 Bushels of Corn " " " " " Choctaw Indians	3/3 1097
		Dolls	658

I Certify that the above Abst

Dated *December* 1st, 1832

sistence of the Chactaws Indians for the Month of

Thomson M. S. Army Disbg Agt Chactaw Removal

Dollars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
3350	00	Class John Clarks Contract for 25 00 Bushels Corn at the Mountain Fork Depot
3237	62½	Class Levi Lewis " " 2195 " " " " House Prairie "
6587	62½	

Abstract *is just and true; according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed Jas. A. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army

Disbg. Agt. *In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.*

Engig 38. Choctaw

Hon. A. H. Sevier

Washington Jany 17th

1833

Relating to Byrd H Belding's

business

A. H. Sevier

Genl. Geo. Gibson

Washington City

D. C.

inclosure

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Washington July 17th Sunday 1853.

Rec'd 18 Jany

Dear Earl.

I enclose you a letter and last night from Col Belding upon the subject of his contract with the government & about which I have had several conferences with you. I would beg you to have some enquiries made upon the subject of those Claims - I have forborne writing to him for several weeks on account of my inability of performing hard office work which would be done. But as I have a despatch promptly, for it is very unpleasant to be taxed and troubled by my constituents so often, when also the blame will be cast on my shoulders, and it is also very troublesome to you to be so often pestered by me -

With great respect I am
Dear Sir
Yours &c &c
R. B. Lewis -

Hempstead L.I. N.Y.
D. S. 17th 1832

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Hon: A H Sevier

Washington City

Mail

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Washington 16th Dec. 1832

Dear Sir

Respecting the Claims of the citizens of Hempstead County for Services Last winter in the Removal of Choctaws which I Addressed to you before, I am very anxious to hear what the Commissary General will Order, it is a great piece of injustice to withhold pay Longer and ruinous to me. —— ——

I was this Evening told by Doctr Sudkin that he had written to the Postmaster Genl to resign the Office of Postmaster at this Place, if so I wish you would have Mr. John Robinson Appointed, he is a Good Clerk, Correct, Steady Man and Allways at home, and would make a First Rate Post Master.

Your Friend
L Pelding

Hon: A H Sevier

Relays to Mr Lewis's letter of Jan'y 17. 1833

Emig 64 Choctaw

Lt J. P. Timonton

Little Rock Jany 3d 1833

Sir as I with a full statement
of all his transactions shall
before ordered soon

(Emigration [illegible])

Brig. Gen. Geo Gibson

Com. Gen. Sub

Washington

D. C.

LITTLE ROCK
JAN
10
ARK

Little Rock Ark^{s} Ten $^{y}_{e}$
Jan $^{y}_{e}$ 3^{d} 1833

Sir

I have the honor to report to you that I have just returned from the new Cherokee country, on my way to Nashville Ten $^{e}_{e}$, to which place I have been directed to proceed by Maj ^{r} F. W. Armstrong in order to meet the Special Agents for the East and West of the Mississippi, to settle my accounts. My accounts will be forwarded as soon as possible, with a full statement of all my transactions since the commencement of my duties East of the Mississippi.

Communications directed to me at Nashville Tennessee will be received.

I have the honor
To be respectfully
Your Obt Servt
J. P. Simonton
Lieut 4 D. O. C. R

Brig^{r} Genl Geo Gibson
Com $^{y}_{e}$ Gen $^{l}_{e}$ Sub $^{c}_{e}$

42 Emig Choctaw

Lt. J. R. Stephenson,

Fort Towson 7 Jany 1833

Has made a report to Capt. Brown on the subject of the claims to Commutation of the persons mentioned in the document to which the Affidavit by A. Rains is

Em-Choc Letters also
Enc- Muster Rolls
of Em-Choc

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Rec'd 16 Feby

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty.
7th January 1833.

Sir.

Your letter under date of the 23d November 1832, with its enclosures has been received.

I have made a report to Capt Brown on the subject of the claims to commutation of the persons mentioned in the Document sent you by Lieut Raines. This document I have sent to Capt Brown.

In relation to the enclosed Certificate, I have to say— that by a reference to my Register, I find that Pistamba and family (4 in No) arrived at the Mountain Fork Depot on the 4th March 1832, where they were registered and are still drawing rations, and by a comparison of the names contained in the Certificate with those in my Register I find they do not correspond;— From these facts there is every reason to believe it is a different family— I will further remark that Pistamba and family emigrated with a party whose route led from the Old nation to their new Country by the way of Point Chicot, Pine Bluff, and Washington Ark. Ty.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Jas. M. Stephenson
1st U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Emt

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City

Copy

The following named persons arrived on their own reservations & are entitled to Commutation.

Fort Smith March 7th 1832

* Pistamtee	Franky
Hotemaca	Meenky
Arthalun tubbee	
Tatotubbee	
Ematubbee	Joshua
Nuckalachabee	Eliza (a slave)
Nowatarnbee	Elsy
Ebabotubbee	Lucy
George Purply	Elatoontema
Tushcahaka	Maontona
Lomuttarnpee	
Selly	
Ashey	

I certify that the above named Choctaws were not included in the number of emigrants under my charge

(signed) Jno. J. Fulton Asst. Agt.
for the Rem'd Sub't. of Indians

* St. Rains paid the Vouchers of which this is a copy
This Man is called on his Abstract Pistamba

Reference belongs

Lt. J. R. Stephenson's

Statement of Corn (surplus)
which can be furnished
by Choctaw emigrants

1833

original given to Lt. Stephenson

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W. Stephenson states that the Choctaws in the New County have in addition to the supply necessary for their own subsistence the following quantities of Corn for sale:

Wanita settlement		3650 bushels
Clear Creek		5300
Mountain Fork		8000
Old Miller Court House		8000
		24,950

The places above named comprise about one third of the whole number of settlements in the New Choctaw County, and it is not doubted that there may be 50,000 bushels of Corn above the quantity required for subsistence raised a part of by the Choctaw emigrants of last year & the year before

Enclg 44 Choctaw
& Lt J. R. Stockton

Fort Towson
14 January 1833

Sends his Acct & Vouchers
thereon for 4th Qr 1832

X Rec'd 20 feby

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
14th January 1833.

Sir

Herewith enclosed you will receive my Quarterly Account Current, and Abstracts of Disbursements on account of Subsistence, Transportation and Contingencies with their Vouchers for the 4th Quarter 1832.

By a reference to my Abstract of Disbursements on account of Subsistence you will find that the following Contractors have furnished their own Contracts and according to agreement Viz: John Clark, Levi Davis, James B Harding two Contracts and Lewis B Dayton. — Duplicates of these Contracts have been furnished Capt Brown, the Triplicate I herewith enclose.

The 700 Bushels of Corn reported as purchased from Choctaw Indians, are retained Rations as explained in my letter of the 15th October last.

The following Remarks are in explanation of some of my accounts.

Abstracts of Disbursements for Subsistence.

Voucher No 6 — According to the new Regulations for the Removal and Subsistence of Indians a written agreement should accompany this account — A verbal agreement was entered into between P. Fisher and myself previous to the receipt of these Regulations; with the understanding, that he should haul the Salt whenever the services of his Teams could be dispensed with from his Farm, leaving it optional with me to discontinue their

Emig. 46 Choctaw
Lt. J. R. Stephenson
Fort Towson 7 Jany
1833

Has postponed emigrating
Calls for Rations —
All the Emigrants en-
rolled by public Agents
have arrived to 3333 —

Rec'd 14 Feby

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
7th January 1833

Sir

Your letter of the 23d and 13th November 1832. the latter enclosing a description of Cattle to be turned over to the Choctaws have been received.

A number of the Choctaws to whom Cattle are due have not yet arrived, a portion of them are also settled on the Arkansas and presuming you would prefer the whole to be settled at one time, I have deferred doing any thing in the business for the present

In addition I would observe that were I to make the purchases at present, the Choctaws would receive them with a great deal of unwillingness, from the fact that at this season of the year Cattle are generally very thin and have no other range but Cane Bottoms where they can subsist themselves, from these Bottoms numbers of Cattle are never recovered.

I hope my reasons for deferring this business will be satisfactory — All the present years emigration, that were conducted by Public Agents and designed for Red River have already arrived, and are drawing their subsistence from the several Depots — Their number is 3333. — small parties are still coming in. — The Contractors for furnishing complete rations are busily employed in making preparations to meet their Contracts so that no failure is to anticipated — I shall not be able to forward my Quarterly Returns for the 4th Quarter before the next mail.

Sam Sir
Very Respectfully

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Envig 47 Choctaw

St. J. R. Stephenson

Fort Towson 21st July 1833

Sends quarterly Return of provisions, quarterly Return of Agents and Return of property with vouchers. —

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Rec. 27 Feby

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
21st January 1833

Sir

Yours dated 12th December 1832 has been received.

I herewith enclose my Quarterly Return of Provisions issued to the Emigrant Choctaws with Abstracts, Quarterly statement of Agents and Return of Property with its Vouchers for the 4th Quarter 1832.

By an addition of the quantity of Corn received from Choctaw Indians in the 3rd & 4th Quarter 1832 you will find the amount to agree with what is reported in my abstract of purchases, Voucher No. 11.

The new Contracts for furnishing complete Rations will go into operation about the 1st February 1833, and will be sufficient to subsist the Emigrants until about the middle or last of June.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obdt Servt
Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Distg. Agt. Choctaw Emg.

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City

Enrg 48 Choctaw
Lt. J. R. Stephenson
Fort Towson 4th Feby
1833

Sends Abst. of Disbursmt for Contingencies. Also an estimate of funds for 2d Qr. 1833.

Fort Towson N. T.

4th Feby. 1839

Sir

Herewith enclosed you will receive my Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies & Subsistence, Also an Estimate for Funds for the 2nd Quarter 1839 - The original has been sent to Capt. Brown

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

Jas. A. Stephenson
1st Lt. U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Nation

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Estimate of Funds required for the removal and subsistence of the Choctaw Indians for the Quarter ending the Thirtieth day of June 1833. with the applications in detail intended to be made of them. by Lieut. James H. Stephenson 1st. U. S. Army.

Date.		Dollars	Cents
1833			
February 1st	For the services of a Clerk from the 1st day of April		
"	to the 30th day of June 1833 @ $50. per Month	150	00
"	" the services of One Assistant from the 1st day of April		
"	to the 30th day of June 1833 @ $58. per Month	174	00
"	" my own services from the 1st day of April to the 30th		
"	day of June 1833. @ $36 per Month	108	00
	Deduct Amount estimated to remain on Hand	100	00
	Amount required	833	00

Jas H. Stephenson
1st U. S Army
Disby Agt Choctaw Affrs

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Estimate of Funds required in the removal and subsistence of the Choctaw Indians for the quarter ending the Thirtieth day of June 1833 with the application in detail, intended to be made of them, by Lieut James H Stephenson U. S. Army

Date.		Dollars	Cents.
1833			
February 1st	For the service of a Clerk from the 1st day of April to the		
"	30th day of June 1833 @ $30 per Month	130	00
"	" the services of One Assistant from the 1st day of April		
"	to the 30th day of June 1833 @ $58 per Month . .	174	00
"	" my own services from the 1st day of April to the 30th		
"	day of June 1833, @ $36 per Month . . .	108	00
	Deduct Amount estimated to remain on hand	000	00
	Amount required	432	00

Jas H. Stephenson
1st U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt Choctaw Ind.

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Contingencies of the Co

Lieut. Saml. R. Stephenson U. S. Army. Disbg. Agt. Choct. Rem

Dates	To whom Paid	For What Paid
1833 Jany. 5th	Edmund. M'Kenney	Services as Interpreter . . . . .
" " 19th	David Duncan	Ditto as Express . . . . .

D. P. Cont.

Dated February 1st 1833.

gencies of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of January 1833. by Lt. Choct. Regt.

Paid	Amount Dollars	Cents	
. . . . .	32	00	Services Discontinued
. . . . .	5	75	" "
	37	75	

I Certify that the above Abstract is just and true.

Jas. H. Stephenson
1st U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Regt.

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Lieut James R Stephenson 4th U S Army Disbg Agt Check Rem[s]

Dates	To whom Paid	For what Paid	Amou Dollars
1833 Janry 21st	Byrd & Belding	295,000 lbs Beef for issue to the Choctaw Indians	9538
" " "	Byrd & Belding	80,000 lbs " " " " " "	2456
" " "	Byrd & Belding	203,000 lbs " " " " " "	6435
" " 22nd	Shonach Kitchens	Hauling 45 Bushels of Salt from Little Rock to the U S Landing Red River	30
" " 28	Lorenzo N Clarke	333,000 lbs Beef for issue to the Choctaw Indians	10627
			$ 29076

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Dated February 1st 1833.

istence of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of January 1833. by
Capt Chas Ramsey.

	Amount		Remarks
	Dollars	Cents	
Indians	9538	50	Class Byrd & Dolding's contracts for 250000 lbs Beef at Fort Towson Depot & were issued from the 1st Oct 1832 to the 1st Feby 1833.
"	2456	00	Ditto Ditto Ditto 102000 lbs Old Mill Old House " Ditto " the 1st Oct 1832 to the 1st Feby 1833.
"	6435	10	Ditto Ditto Ditto 303000 lbs Mountain Fork " Ditto " the 1st Oct 1832 to the 1st Feby 1833
" Pick to	30	00	Close the Agreement
Indians	10627	20	Class P. McClarkis contract for 328000 lbs Beef at Horse Prairie Depot & were issued from the 1st Oct 1832 to the 15th & 17th April 1833.
	29076	80	

I Certify that the above Abstract is just and true

Jas. N. Stephenson
U. S. Army
Disby Agt Choctaw Nat.

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Emig 3d Choctaw

Lt. J. R. Stephenson

Fort Towson 25th Mar.

1833.

Sen dy. Muster Rolls of Choctaws drawing Rations at each of the Depots on Red River

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Recd Apl 25.

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
March 25th 1833

Sir

You will herewith receive Muster Rolls of the Choctaw Indians drawing Rations at each of the Depots on Red River. There is a recapitulation at the end of each Roll shewing the Number of the Emigrants of 1831 who are still drawing Rations as well as those of 1832.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Jas R. Stephenson
U. S. Army
Disby Agt Choctaw Nation

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Washington City D.

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Horse prairie Depot

No	Date of Arrival	Remarks
17	9 March 1832	
35	"	
33	"	
35	"	
31	"	
31	"	
31	"	
18	"	
10	"	
6	"	
8	"	
8	"	
7	"	
9 4	"	
8 5	"	
23	"	
7 7	"	
7 7	"	
7 3	"	
67	"	
46	"	
105	"	2 died Date 1 June 1832
24	"	
50	"	
144	"	
30	"	
106	"	1 died previous to 1 June
47		
1338		

Mountain Fork Depot

63	29 July 1832		
25	" " "		
42	" " "		
3	" " "	1 died 1 June 1832	
57	" " "	1 " 12 May "	
58	" " "	1 " 1 June "	
57	" " "		
66	" " "		
41	" " "		
486			
8	11 Feby 1832	Joined from Fort Lawson 1 May 1832 from Capt James Vaughans Company	
5	" " "	1 joined from Ft Lawson under the name of Mrs Jones. but supposed them as new emigrants	
8	" " "	Joined from Mr Miller C.S.A. from Choctaw Company	
21			

~~Horse Prairie Depot~~ Mountain Fork Depot

No	Date of Arrival	Remarks
~~2~~ 4	~~4~~ March 1832	
~~18~~ 1	" "	
~~3~~ 15	" "	
~~7~~ 6	" "	
~~16~~ 4	" "	1 dies on 7 May.
~~5~~ 1	" "	
~~12~~ 1	" "	
~~5~~ 1	" "	
~~7~~ 6	" "	
~~25~~ 15	" "	1 dies on 1 June
~~37~~ 3	" "	
~~14~~ 2	" "	
~~57~~ 6	" "	1 dies 7 March & 1 dropped from
~~3~~ 1	" "	
~~77~~ 14	" "	
~~6~~ 37	" "	
~~42~~ 8	" "	
~~16~~ 12	" "	
~~10~~ 22	" "	
4 Sept 12	1832	
~~4~~ 15	"	
46 1	"	
4 1	"	
~~17~~ 1	"	1 dies 1 Sept
~~4~~ 3	"	
~~3~~ 2	"	
12	May 1 1832	
~~17~~ 15	"	
15	June 1. 1832	
1	1 July 1832	

Mountain Fork Depot

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No	Date of Arrival	Remarks
3	1 Dec. 1831	— Vol. 1
3	" "	

No	Date of Arrival	
~~15~~	~~11 April 1832~~	
11	30 April "	
~~3~~	~~11 April~~ "	
~~34~~	~~27~~ " "	
~~23~~	" "	
~~4~~	~~1~~ "	
~~11~~	~~7~~ " "	
~~15~~	~~16~~ " "	
~~10~~	~~30~~ " "	
10	12 April 1832	Old Miller C.H.
1	1 "	
36	1 " "	
~~27~~	23 " "	
27	17 " "	

2	10 Oct. 1831	
5	11 Feb. 1832.	
33	"	
61	"	
233	"	1 died onto 1 June 1832.
134	"	3 died " 1 April
58	"	2 " " 1 May "
64	"	
48	"	
55	"	
45	"	
49	"	
5	"	
679		

2	1 May 1832	
1	13 " "	
47	7 " "	
3	1 " "	
7	1 May 1832	Old Miller C.H.
7	1 " "	

O.m. C.H.

39	11 Feby	1832	
54	11 "	"	
56	"	"	
57	"	"	9 of these transfers from H.M.S. Leopard
30	"	"	
54	22 "	"	Above 54 are entered after the close of the roll of O.M. C.H.

3	1 March 1832	
20	" "	
9	" "	
1	" "	
24	" "	
35	" "	
39	" "	
131		

13	5 June 1832	Old Miller C.H.
15	12 " "	

10 1 March '32

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Fort Towson Depot.

No.	Date of Arrival	Remarks
*	~~1 Oct. 1831~~	
2	1 Oct. 1831	
4	1 Dec. 1831	✓
879	11 Feby 1832	
10	1 March 32	
131	1 March 1832	
4	1 April 1832	
17	7th. "	
17	11 " "	
15	16 " "	
79	29 " "	
21	30 " "	
147		
4	1 May 1832	
47	7 " "	
1	13 " "	
1	19 " "	
53		

Old Miller Court House.

No.	Date of Arr.	Remarks
306	11 Feby 1832	9 Transferred from H. Towson to Mr. T. Depot
34	23 " "	Nos. 34 are volens after the close of Oct. Rec.
260		
37	1 April 1832	
12	12 " "	
27	27 " "	
7	28 " "	
81		
14	1 May 1832	
13	June 5 1832	
15	12	
28		

Horse Prairie Depot.

1338	9 March 1832

Emig 34 Choctaws

R. J. R. Stephenson

Fort Towson 11th Mar 1833.

Send Abst. of disbursements for Contingencies & Interpreters for Feby 1833.

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Recd Apl 25

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
March 11th 1833.

Sir

I herewith enclose Abstracts of Disbursements for Subsistence and Contingencies for the month of February 1833, Copies of which I have forwarded to Capt Brown.

I shall be able to furnish you with a Muster Roll of Choctaw Indians who are drawing subsistence at the different depots on Red River by the next mail.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
J. R. Stephenson
A. A. I. Genl
Dists. of Choctaw Nation

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Subsistence of the Choctaw I.
R. Stephenson U.S. Army Disb'g Agt. Choct. Removal

Date	To whom Paid	For what Paid	
1833 Feby	1	James L Harding	2000 Bushels of Corn for issue to the Choctaw Indians	
"	" 7	David Gilman	Transportation of Salt	
"	" 8	Saml H. Vail	Transportation of Salt	
"	" 15	B. H. & Hartsfield	1000 Bushels of Salt	
"	" 16	William Cragg	778 Bushels of Corn	
"	" 18	James H Stevenson	2200 " Ditto	Ditto
				Dolls.

Dated February 28th 1833

J Cox

Choctaw Indians for the month of February 1833. by Lieut Stanley

	Amount		Remarks
	Dollars	Cents	
Choctaw Indians	2818	75	Claim Sol Hardings contract, at the Horse Prairie depot
	78	00	Claim the Agreement
	94	00	Ditto Ditto
	1000	00	Claim B H & Hartsfield's contract
	778	00	Purchased to complete the issue made with the Beef on the late contract of Boyd & Holding
	2860	00	Claim Sol H Stinson's contract at the Horse Prairie depot.
Dolls.	7625	75	

I Certify on Honor that the above Abstract is just and true

Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U.S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Ind.

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A Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies of the Choctaw
Agency Stephenson U. S. Army Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Nation

Dates	To whom Paid	For what Paid
1833 Feby 9th	David Dunkin	Building a Barn Cash repairing old ones &c. at Hays Paine's
" " 28	Geo. F. Lawton	Services as Apt. &c. at Old Mullins Court House Depot
" " "	Josiah F. Peake	Hauling Salts &c.

Dated February 28th 1833.

S. Co.

the Choctaw Indians for the month of February 1833. by Disb. Stores

	Amount		Remarks
	Dollars	Cts	
at Horse Paine Depot	53	00	Clears the Agreement
" House Depot	106	00	Services discontinued
—	14	75	Clears the accounts

56

Copy

Lt. Choctaw

Lt. J. P. Simonton

Washington

April 8th 1833

Transmits his accts for 4 Qr 1832

- Gives an account of his proceedings in the Commencement of the Choctaw Removal - his [illegible] with Genl. Coffee - Cattle escaped - Rec'd Cattle from Byrne the Appraiser who gave him no invoice of them, they are not borne on the Returns - Loss by escape greater than the quantity of beef rec'd from Byrne. - All the other Agents considered it no part of their duty to assist him as he was obliged to hire 2 persons - Reasons for employment of a Doctor - purchase of Cotton cloth in consequence of the destroyed condition of the Indians - Sale of 17 head small cattle - Accounts for the apparent saving in stock -

Has Enclosure

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Rec.d 11th Apl.

Washington D.C.
April 8th 1833

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith, my accounts for Disbursements made for the Choctaw Emigration, in the last quarter of 1832.

After leaving this City in July last, agreable to instructions I proceeded to the Choctaw Agency, and reported to W. Armstrong Esqr Special Agent for the Removal of the Choctaws. At the Agency I received letters from yourself and the Treasury Department, informing me that ten thousand dollars had been placed to my credit in the Branch of the United States Bank at Nashville. The Special Agent deemed it expedient for me to proceed to Nashville, and get my own funds, together with five thousand dollars which had been placed in the same Bank for Capt Page.

Accordingly I performed the journey, and returned without delay to the Agency. Immediately after my return, I proceeded to the Southern District of

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the Old Shoctaw Nation, to near a place called Gar-
-lands old Field, which had been appointed the place
of rendezvous, for the Indians of that District.
On my arrival at the rendezvous I met with W. S.
Colquhoun Assistant Agent, who had been ordered
to that District by the Special Agent. Upon consult-
ing with him, I found we were situated in a wilder-
-ness, without any preperation to subsist the mul-
-titude of people who were expected to assemble there
in a few days, except a few bushels of corn, which
Capt Colquhoun had procured, and some salt which
I had ordered from Columbus Miss, previous to my
departure for Nashville. I discovered also that Capt
Colquhoun believed himself invested, by virtue of his
office of Assistant Agent, with superior authority
over every thing connected with the Emigration in
that District, and controll of all the Agents. This he
first evinced to me by expressing his intention to draw
a requisition on me, which I refused to comply with.
I stated to Capt Colquhoun that I would furnish
upon the requisition of no one but the Special Agent;
that I had then his general requisition, to furnish
whatever was necessary for the emigration, in that
district. This opposition to his supreme authority,
excited a feeling of dislike for me on the part

of Capt Colquhoun, which displayed itself frequently afterwards, and rendered my situation a most unpleasant one, as long as we were together. The question who was to be considered the Conductor of the Party, was settled by referring it to the Special Agent, who decided in favor of Capt Colquhoun. I was obliged to submit to this decision, or leave the Party, which would have very much retarded the emigrations from that section of country, to say the least of it, and would partly have defeated the object for which I had been sent into the country. I thought it best to sacrifice my private feelings for the present, and await an answer to an appeal from the decision of the Special Agent, to the War Department.

Waggons had been engaged for transportation previous to my arrival in the Indian country, to be on the ground by the 1st day of October. The corn required for consumption at the rendezvous, we were obliged to haul from twelve to twenty miles. As there was but little corn in the country, it commanded an extraordinary price. Beef was plenty and cheap, until we approached the Mississippi River. I procured beef enough at our place of rendezvous, to subsist the Party to Vicksburg But we were unfortunate enough to loose a great

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many heavy, which compelled me to purchase on the
rout. One night whilst in the Indian country, the
cattle broke from the lot in which they were con-
-fined, and more than twenty head were irretrieva-
-ably lost. Again when near the Mississippi River,
about ten head of fine cattle escaped.
I received a number of beeves, turned over to me
by the Cattle Appraiser Mr Bynn. As he gave me
no Invoice of the cattle at the time, and I have not
since been able to procure one from him, they are
not borne on the return. The loss by unavoidable
accident was equal to if not greater than the
amount received from Mr Bynn, and I account for
the cattle received from him, in that way.
In consequence of no previous preperation having been
made, for furnishing provision and forage on the
rout, it became necessary to have forage and subs-
-sistence waggons to accompany us. The number we
took with us was greater than I wished myself, but
the Conductor insisted on having the forage issued
every day, and the provisions every other day, otherwise
the transportation waggons would be so overloaded
as to leave no room for the sick and children.
Generally on the road we found but little diffi-
-culty in procuring supplies, until we left the

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direct route for Vicksburg. I will give some accounts of this aberrance, which may serve to fill a blank in the journal of the Conductor.

Immediately after crossing Pearl River, the reports reached us, that the Cholera was raging with its usual violence, in Vicksburg and its vicinity; and that the inhabitants were flying to the interior, by the road which we were to travel to the Mississippi River. Capt Colquhoun determined at once to change his route from Vicksburg, to what is called Alatons Bluffs, on the Yazoo river a few miles above its mouth. After procuring a guide we travelled some days on this route, (I do not remember how many) when Capt Colquhoun came to me one morning, and said we were within two days march of Lantatia, a town on the Yazoo river about 50 miles from its mouth, that the river was navigable to that place with steamboats, and that the country was rich, and would afford a plentiful supply of provisions. He stated further that it was a healthy, retired, place, where it was probable the Cholera would not reach us, and he wished to know my opinion as to the expediency of going there, discharge the teams, and await the arrival of the steamboats from below. I was in the first place opposed to leaving the direct

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went from Pearl river to Vicksburg, but since we had strayed from the straight course, it then seem'd to me best to fall in with Capt Colquhouns proposition, as it would save the Government a heavy expense on account of teams. The Conductor changed the route at once and steered for Lantatia. The succeeding morning beheld instead of finding the abundant country which had been described by Capt Colquhoun, we find one without any resources whatever, and we subsequently learned that steamboats could not even pass the mouth of the Yazoo. The Conductor now resolved once more to steer his course to Abotons Bluffs, and that night received instructions from Majr Armstrong to proceed to Vicksburg without delay. Our route now lay in a country almost exclusively appropriated to the cultivation of cotton, and of course subsistence scarce and dear.

Had Capt Colquhoun stated these facts, and kept his journal as required by the regulations, stating the time of starting, stoping, the causes of delay &c, he would have committed himself. But all this is smothered, and to screen himself, an attempt is made upon my character, which I believe I can shew to be unsupported by reference to fact. It is gravely stated as a matter of surprise

consequence, that at one time we were forced to issue to the teamsters from a barrel of flour belonging to the stores of the Agents. I wish you to understand that I bo't and paid for all the bread stuff, both for Agents and others, and transported it in the same waggons without any distinction. I was allways responsible to the government for what had been purchased with their funds, and to the Agents for nothing, for I did not feel myself bound to supply the Agents with subsistence, and they, themselves, considered it an act of courtesy on my part, to cater for them. The provisions therefore all belonging to me, I issued from this barrel or that, as I though proper. We were never straitened for provisions until the party was taken into a country, void of resources. I sent my assistant Mr Middleton to Santatia with a waggon and team, to purchase provision to last us to Vicksburg. He returned with one barrel of flour which he said was all the bread stuff in this part of the country, which could possibly be procured. I repel the charge of „a want of action„ with indignation. Energy is a trait of character which I have ever endeavored to merit and sustain, in discharging my public duties, and I never felt better satisfied with my exertions than during the Chickasaw Emigration.

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I have it not now in my power to lay before the Department, the opinion of any persons who were witness to my conduct during the time Capt Calyo-houn had charge of the party; but as soon as practicable, I intend procuring statements from others, which I hope will be satisfactory.

As the other agents with the party considered it no part of their duty to assist me, it became necessary for me to have two assistants. One was occupied in taking care of teams, issuing forage &c. the other in issuing provisions &c. The assistants were both paid returning to the place of rendezvous, travelling at the rate of thirty miles per day. The cattle drivers were also paid returning, which is the custom of the country.

On approaching the section of country in which the cholera existed, it was deem'd an act of humanity, which the Department would sanction, to employ a physician to accompany the party. Accordingly Doctor S. Brown of Jackson Mi. was engaged, with directions to procure such articles of medicine as would be necessary. While at the rendezvous some cotton cloth was purchased to make tents, for very many of the Indians who were entirely exposed to the inclemency of the weather. The cloth was a cheap

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article, and a small amount purchased sufficient to protect a great many people. This was an act of expediency, as well as humanity: The Indians in the district where we were, are the poorest in the Choctaw Nation. They live in huts; and with few exceptions, like the great majority of their race, exert no more industry than is necessary to procure a temporary subsistence. The climate is mild, and many, very many, do not think of clothing their children in the summer season, until they have arrived at the age of seven or eight years. Many of these children came to the place of rendezvous and were enroll'd to go west of the Mississippi, who had nothing under heaven to protect their naked bodies from the pitiless storm, but a share of the parents blanket, which served as a mantle by day, and as a bed by night: In consequence of a change of food, and exposure to much damp and raing weather, which took place before we left the rendezvous, much sickness occurd. Some of the Indians declared their intention not to go, unless some protection was afforded them, from the inclemency of the weather. The cloth of which the tents were made, was considered as worn out at the conclusion of the emigration, and reported accordingly, on the Abstract of Disbursments for Contingencies. In addition to the amount drawn by me from the

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U.S. Branch Banks at Nashville and Natchez,
I found it necessary to borrow four thousand dol-
-lars from Lieut Montgomery, and three thousand
from Capt Brown. A small amount was re-
-ceived from the sale of surplus provisions. When
we arrived at Vicksburg I had on hand seventeen
head of small cattle, (principally Indian cattle) which
by long driving and other causes, had become too poor
to be considered good beef, and were consequently
sold to the best advantage. While at Vicksburg,
owing to the existence of the Cholera, we were obliged
to pay the most exhorbitant prices for every thing, which
makes the expense at that place show large. A quantity
of bacon and flour was received from Lt Montgomery
at Vicksburg, and disposed of as shown in the
Abstract of Provisions issued. The teams were
paid for returning to the place of rendezvous according
to agreement. The distance given me by the Conductor
from his journal, was 160 miles. The saving in
shipping, appears very great in some articles, and
is to be accounted for in this way. The returns were
drawn for the full number of rations, and frequently the Indians failed to carry off the rations, particularly, the Pork & Salt rations. It was impossible afterwards to alter them, so as to accommo-

-dale the face of the returns to the actual issues
Consequently the procession returns appear on the Return
of Provisions as originally drawn. Much however was
caused by the carefulness of my assistant Mr John
W. Middleton of Alabama.

I am Sir
Your Most Obt Servt
L. P. Simmerton
Lt & D. A. C. R.

Brig. Genl S. Gibson
Com'd'g Gen Sub

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The United States,

To A. H. Somerville **Dr.**

DATE.		Dollars.	Cents.
Dec 25th 1832	For the following expenditures for subsistence for myself, whilst accompanying a party of Indians viz.		
	Paid at Ward's Choctaw Nation	5	00
	" Earl's " "	3	00
	" to Indians at Hewaney towns	5	00
	" Indian Billy Choctaw Nation	5	00
	" Steamboat Reindeer from Vicksburg to Rock Roe Louisiana	9	00
	" Doaksville New Choctaw country	7	50
	for the hire of a horse employed in the service of the U States from the 1st of Oct 1832 to 25th of Dec 1833 at $1.00 per day	86	00
	I certify on honor that the above account is just & true, and that I actually expended the sum therein charged for subsistence, & had the horse charged for actually employed for the time stated.	$120	50

A. H. Somerville asst conductor

RECEIVED Doak's Choctaw Nation Dec 25th **183 2**

of Lieut J. C. Simonton Disbursing **Agent of the United States for the Removal and Subsistence of Indians,** one hundred & twenty **Dollars and** fifty — **Cents, in full of the above account.**

Duplicate

A. H. Somerville
asst Conductor

REPRODUCED AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

The United States,

To A. H. Sommerville **Dr.**

DATE.		Dollars.	Cents.
1832 Dec 25th	For his services as Assistant Conductor of Indians from the 12th of Nov to the 25th of Dec 1832 inclusive @ $3 per day	132	00
	For traveling expenses from Fort Towson Red River to Tuscaloosa Ala. Distance 760 miles @ 10cts per mile	76	00
		208	00

RECEIVED at Doaks Choctaw Nation Dec 25th 1832 **of** Lieut J. P. Simonton Disbursing **Agent of the United States for the Removal and Subsistence of Indians,** Two hundred & eight —— **Dollars and** —————— **Cents, in full of the above account.**

Duplicate

A. H. Sommerville
Asst Conductor of
Indians

Enrig 58. Choctaw

St. J. R. Stephenson

March 8th. 1833-

Fort Towson

Sends Returns previous, with
Abst. Va quarterly Statement
of Agcy & an account of alterations
in the Current of Money
for the purchase of Cattle

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Lt. Jones

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
March 1st 1833

Sir

Herewith you will receive my Return of Provisions with Abstracts for the 1st Quarter 1833 This closes all Contracts made under former regulations The Corn reported on hand is at the Old Military Camp House Depot I have just made arrangements to have this Corn transported to this Depot designing it for issue to the Public Teams daily expected from Fort Smith with Indian Annuities The Salt I design selling whenever I can obtain the Market price for it which I can get by the time the new Contracts go into operation.

The Corn reported in this return as received from John Ragsdale has not been paid for, this will account for there being no Vouchers before the entry.

I also enclose a Quarterly Statement of Agents employed and also a Statement of the Alterations of Emigrants since my statement forwarded on the 25th March 1833 You will also receive an account Current of monies for the purchase of Cattle to be replaced to Chactaws received from them by Assessments prior to the Emigration of 1831.

My Money accounts are not yet completed, but will be forwarded by next Mail

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Jno R. Stephenson
U. S. Army
Disbg Agt Choctaw Em.

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City

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QUARTERLY STATEMENT of Agents and others employed in the D.

ending the 31st day of March 1833 by Lieut. Col. R. Stephenson U.S.A.

No.	NAMES.	STATIONS.	DATE OF EMPLOYMENT.	COMPENSA
1	John Ramsey	Fort Towson	1st December 1831	$ 45 per M
2	Polk Hanley	" "	" "	$ 30 "
3	James Pomroy	House Painter	1 March 1832	$ 58 "
4	Geo. F. Lawton	Old Miller at Horse	31 " "	$ 33 "
5	Jonas L. Belcate	Mountain Fork	17 July "	$ 58 "

yed in the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaws Indians, for the Quarter

ended 31st Dist. Special Agent Choctaw Removal

COMPENSATION.	REMARKS, shewing the nature of the employment, what business was performed during the quarter &c.
$40 per Month	Taking charge of the Public Cribs & receiving & issuing Corn at Fort Towson Depot
$30 " "	as Clerk for Lieut Col R. Stephenson U. S. Army
$58 "	Asst. in receiving & issuing supplies at Horse Prairie Depot
$53 " "	" " " " " Old Miller Ct House " terms dis'd
$58 " "	" " " " " Mountain Fork "

Jas R. Stephenson
A. U. S. Army
Dist. Agt. Choctaw Rem.l
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Emig^n 5^y Choctaw

A. A. Sevier

Little Rock March 25. 1833

Introducing L. Belding

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Rec'd 8 May

Little Rock March 25th 1837

Dear Genl

This will be handed to you by Mr Belding the gentleman who has claims against the government which you he will explain to you - He is the same gentleman about whose claims I spoke to you last winter, entering into contract for ~~with~~ Ch Rollins.

I have fully examined the claims and vouchers he has against the government - I know them to be correct and have opened them that you with buy them on presentation - I believe his vouchers are all formal, but should they be informal, it is possible as he has all the accounts with him, and blank receipts to be filled up in form, that you will fully authorized to pay the money over to him The firm of Byrd and Belding is one of the most wealthy and best established houses in the country - they are solvent and enterprising merchants - and men of high respectability - None in the country stand fairer - I hope Genl that you will do all you can to ~~afford~~ hasten his business through and speed his departure home.

Mr Belding will give you all the local news - Present my kindest respects to Mrs Hook

Genl Geo Gibson
Washington City

Your friend
A H Sevier

Comp 62 Choctaws

Lt. J. K. Stephenson

Ft Towson March 6th 33

Sends Monthly Abstr of
Contingencies & Subsistence
for April 1833

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Rec'd June

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
May 6th 1833.

Sir

I herewith enclose Monthly Abstracts of Disbursements for Subsistence and Contingencies of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of April 1833.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
J. R. Stapleton
Lt. U.S. Army
Disbg. agt. Choctaw Affrs

Emigration of Indians
Com Genl of Subsistence
Washington City.

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT of Disbursements for the Contingt.

April , 1833 , by Lieut James H. Stephens

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dollars.
1833 Apl. 27.	Jonas L. Beloate.	Services as Asst at Mountain Fork Depot.	218
" " 30	Wm Stephens	Expenses incurred in transporting Corn from Old N. Ct House to Fort Towson Depot	34
" " "	Pay Roll.	Hands employed in transporting Corn from Old N. Ct House Depot to Fort Towson Depot.	149
			$ 401

I Certify that the above Abstra

Dated 1st May 1st, 1833.

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Johnson U. S. Army. Disby Agt Choct, Remt

Dollars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
218	46	Service Discontinued
34	37½	Closes the Accounts
149	00	Discontinued &c
401	83½	

Abstract *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army

Disby. Agt. *In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.*

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the* ~~Transporter~~ Subsistence

April , 1833 , *by* *Lieut* *James R. Stapleton*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dollars.
1833 April 24	Levi Lewis	1431 lbs Beef	573
" " 28	John H. Fowles.	34½ Bushels of Corn	34
			$ 607

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Stephenson U. S Army Disbg. Agt Choctaw Removal

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573	76	This Beef was purchased on account of a partial failure made by Byrd & Shelton at the Mountain Fork Depot,
134	50	This Corn was purchased in Oct 1832, for the use of Teams, transporting Indian Annuities from Fort Smith to Red River.
607	26	

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A. U. S. Army

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Lt. J. R. Stephenson

Fort Towson 15th Oct 33

Sends an[d] for 1st 1833.

& a return of property and

a certified Abstract of

Sales of pub[lic] property —

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Return of Property

The property reported as sold in this Return, was sold personally by myself, and at fair and good prices, such as similar property will bring at the Market price in this Country at present.

The Ox reported as dead in this Return, was when received by me, broken down with sore leg and blind in both eyes- it was turned loose on the Prairie, and it is presumed died.-

By the same Mail this is sent, you will receive Byrd & Belding's and L. M. Clarke's Contracts for furnishing Beef at the several Depots on Red River- B. H. G. Hartfield's Contracts for Salt, James & Harding's Contracts for furnishing Corn at the Horse prairie Depots, and Two Contracts of James H. Johnston for furnishing Corn at the Horse prairie Depots.- all these Contracts have been filled- I send them in a seperate envelop in order to secure their safe arrival

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Jas. R. Stephenson
1st. U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Nation

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City. (D. C.)

Envg 66 Choctaws
A. A Sommerville
Tuscaloosa 17 June 1833
Relative to traveling expenses
while Asst Agt under Gen. S.
Gaines Supt Choctaw Emt

George Gibson
Commissary
Genl of Subsistence
Washington
City

mail

X Rec'd July

Tuscaloosa 17th June 1833.

Sir

My object in writing you at this time, is to gain some information of an account of travelling expended of mine, while engaged as an assistant agent in the removal of the Choctaw Indians, under the superintendence of Mr. Gov. S Gaines, for the correctness of which I refer you to Mr. Gaines letter now in the department. He has informed me, that he had deposited the account in the Commissary General's office for your inspection. My pay during the removal, was one dollar less than the rest of the agents, although I had the same duty to perform, as any other. They also refused to pay me for a colt I was with in a horse of $40, which died in the Mississippi swamp during the extreme cold weather in the month of December 1831. You will confer a favor on me by addressing me at this place. I could furnish you with a certificate of the same from Capt. Cook, Special agent at the time, but unfortunately lost it in swimming a creek.

Gen Gibson Esq
Commissary Genl
of Subsistence
Washington
City

I Remain Sir
Respectfully your
Obedient Servant
Alx. H. Sommerville

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Ewing 67 Choctaws
Lt. J. R. Stephenson
June 3d 1833 ~~Fort Towson~~

Acknowledging Receipt
of letter of 3d May and
its inclosures.

Recd 20th July

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
June 3d 1833.

Sir

Your letter dated 3d May. together with Copies of Letters to Capts Brown, and Maj. J. W. Armstrong has been received.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt
Jas R. Stephenson
A. A. S. Army
Disby. Cpt. Choctaw Emt

Emigration of Indians
Com. Genl. of Subsistence.
Washington City.

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Fort Towson a.T.
June 4th 1833

Public Service

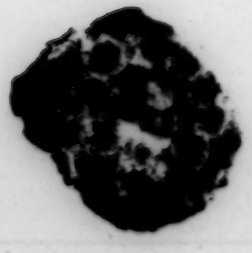
Hall

Emigration of Indians

Commissary General of Subsistence

Washington City

(L. C.)



Comg 1st Choctaw
Lt. J. K. Stephenson
July 15th 1833
Fort Towson

Forwards Acct. Curt. in acct of
Cattle furnished Choctaws Sept.

Rec: 12 Aug

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
Aug 10th 1833.

Sir

I have the mortification to inform you that I have been disappointed in procuring the Cattle for the Emigration of 1831, which I had contracted for, and which I expected would have been delivered at this place by the 1st of July last. I have written to the Contractors, and have received their answers, which I have forwarded to the Department of War, for its decision upon the subject. I have also written to the Contractors, requiring them to deliver the Cattle at this place, by the 1st of September next, or to forfeit their Bonds. I have also written to the Agent for the Choctaws, requiring him to have the Cattle in readiness to receive them, on the arrival of the Emigrants. I have also written to the Agent for the Creeks, requiring him to have the Cattle in readiness to receive them, on the arrival of the Emigrants. I have also written to the Agent for the Seminoles, requiring him to have the Cattle in readiness to receive them, on the arrival of the Emigrants. I have also written to the Agent for the Chickasaws, requiring him to have the Cattle in readiness to receive them, on the arrival of the Emigrants. I have also written to the Agent for the Osages, requiring him to have the Cattle in readiness to receive them, on the arrival of the Emigrants. I have also written to the Agent for the Quapaws, requiring him to have the Cattle in readiness to receive them, on the arrival of the Emigrants. I have also written to the Agent for the Kickapoos, requiring him to have the Cattle in readiness to receive them, on the arrival of the Emigrants. I have also written to the Agent for the Delawares, requiring him to have the Cattle in readiness to receive them, on the arrival of the Emigrants. I have also written to the Agent for the Shawnees, requiring him to have the Cattle in readiness to receive them, on the arrival of the Emigrants. 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By a comparison of Lieut Davis' accounts and Contracts you will find, he did not furnish the number of bottles called for. this was owing to the fact, that after the Contracts was closed, I was discovered that one of the claimants resided on the Arkansas, instead of Red River.

Owing to the indisposition of both my Clerks & myself, I shall be unable to furnish you with any other accounts before the next mail.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully

Your Obdt Servt

Jas. H. Stephenson

Lt. U. S. Army

Disby. Agt Choctaw Nation

Emigration of Indians

Commissary General of Subsistence

Washington City

(D. C.)

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Quarterly statement of Agents and others employed in the removal and subsistence of the Choctaw Indians for the quarter ending the 30th day of June 1833. by Lt. Col. R. Stephenson U.S.A. Dis. Agt. Choctaws

No.	Names.	Stations	Dates of Employment	Compensation	Remarks
1	John Rainey	Fort Towson	1 December 1831	$40. per month	Services Discontinued
2	P. McKinley	"	6. " "	$50 " "	Clerk for Lieut Col R. Stephenson U.S. Army.
3	James Penney		1 March 1833	$66 " "	Agt &c.
4	Silas L. Belcate	Mountain Fork	17 July "	$58 " "	Agt at Mountain Fork Depot. Services Discontinued
5	Geo F. Lawton	"	23 June 1833	$66. " "	Agt " " " "

Jas R. Stephenson
Lt Col U.S. Army
Disby. Agt Choctaw Nat.
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Emig's & Choctaws

Lt. J. R Stephenson

July 29 1833

Fort Jesup

Relating to supplying cattle.

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Rec'd Aug't 27

Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty
July 29. 1833.

Sir

Under date of the 15th Inst. I enclosed to you my accounts in relation to turning over to the Choctaws, cattle received from them under a reinstatement prior to the Emigration of 1831. With their accounts I failed to enclose their Certificates furnished them by the appraising agents.

In some instances the claimants had lost their Certificates, but never the less I paid them, their claims agreeing precisely with the Roll furnished from your office.

These Certificates are herewith enclosed

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U.S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Rmvl.

Emigration of Indians
Commissy Genl of Subs
Washington City

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4 Oxen @ 20$ each ——— $ 80—
1 — 4 Year old Steer ——— 12
1 4 Bull ——— 10
7 — 3 Year old Steers @ 10$ each — 70
28 — 2 Year olds ——— 168
25 — Yearlings @ — 3.25 each — 81.25
9 4 Cows & Calves — @ 10.50 2 — 97—
3 Cows without Calves — 9$ — 27—
$ 1433.25

I will furnish the above described Cattle at the prices above named —

Levi Davis

Accepted
W.S

Levi Davis Affidavit
11 Dec 1838
Respectfully for
Levi Davis
Hamilton Ohio

2. 3 year old Bulls — 20
9 — 2 year old Steers — 72
1. 2 year old Heifer — 8
1 — yearling — 4
88. Cows and calves — 10.12
2 Cows without calves — 19

$1133.00

I will furnish the above described cattle at the above prices —

Levi Davis

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4	Oxen	@ $ 20		80
1	4 year old Steer	@ $ 15		15
1	4 year old Bull	@ $ 10		10
7	3 year old Steers	@ $ 11		77
24	2 year old "	@ $ 8		2.24
				1 00
25	yearlings	@ $ 4	10	34
4	Cows & Calves	@ $ 11.50		30
3	Cows without Calves	@ $ 10		
			$	15.70

Sir

I will furnish the Cattle above mentioned at the Mountain fork Depot for the prices set opposite each respectively

Your Respectfully

To Lieut Jos H. Stephenson
U. S. Army

R. Hamilton

Dardanelle C. N.

May 2nd 1833

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2	3 year old	Bulls	@ $9	18.00
9	2 " "	Steers	@ $8	72.00
1	2 " "	Heifers	@ $8	8.00
2	Yearlings		@ $4	8.00
88	Cows & Calves		@ $40	3520.00
2	Cows without Calves		@ $40	80.00
				$3706.00

Sir

I will furnish the Cattle above mentioned at the Horse prairie Depot for the prices set opposite each respectively—

Yours Respectfully

To Lieut Jas. H. Stephenson
U. S. Army
Doaksville C. N.

(R. Hamilton.

May 2nd 1864

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Statement shewing the Alterations of the Emigration of the Choctaw Indians by births deaths &c. in the Quarter ending the 30th day of June 1833. by Lieut James R Stephenson U. S Army. Disb. Agt Choct Remt

No of Emigrant Choctaw Indians drawing Subsistence at last Statement	No to be deducted: Number who have ceased drawing Subsistence	No to be deducted: No of Births	No to be deducted: No of Deaths	No to be deducted: No Desertion	No to be deducted: Total Number	Remaining	No to be added: No of New Emigrants since last Statement	Number remaining and still drawing Subsistence
4518	779	–	–	–	779	3739	611	4350

Jas R. Stephenson
1st U. S. Army
Disb. Agt. Choctaw Rem.

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Lt. J. R. Stephenson

July 29th 1833.

Fort Jesup

Sent, Lieu. Rue Nelson

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Rec'd Aug 27

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July 29th 1833.

Sir

I herewith enclose my Quarterly Account Currently with Abstracts of Disbursements on account of Subsistence, Contingencies & Transportation for the 2nd Quarter of the present year. Return of Property with Abstracts of Sales. Quarterly Statements of Agents employed by me, and Statements of Alterations by Births & Deaths for the 2nd Quarter 1833

The following remarks are in explanation of some of my accounts. (Abstract of Disbursements for Subsistence.)

Voucher No 2. I John H. Fowler for 34⅞ Bushels of Corn I gave an order to the Waggon Master for this Corn at the time the account is dated which was never presented until the date of receipt of payments - and through mistake he was never entered in my Provision Returns - you will now find it entered in my Property Returns.

Voucher No 4. I S. B. Badgett for 120 Bushels of Corn By a reference to my return of provisions for the 3d Quarter 1832, you will find this purchase entended. The enclosed accounts although not made at my Office is correct the original receipts for the Corn was transmitted from hand to hand which caused the delay of payments

After the new method of supplying the Choctaws.

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work into operation, there was but little provisions left on hand, and inasmuch as such a return was not required at your office I thought it best to transfer what remained on hand to the property Return — This transfer you will find to be correct by a reference to my Return for the 1st Quarter of this year.

By a reference to mine under date of the 15th Oct. 1832, you will find I reported one of the Keel Boats as nearly unready in ascending Little River, but that she was undergoing repairs. about the time I made this report to you, I employed an Individual to have her repaired, my object, being to counteract the views of a few speculators to monopolize all the means of transportation on Red River above the Rafts — and I believed she was undergoing repairs when I wrote, and until I heard she was unworthy of being repaired — about this time the objects of the monopolists being defeated, I paid no further attention to her.

Very Respectfully
Your Obdt Servt

Jas. D. Stephenson
Lt. U.S. Army
Disby. Apt. Choctaw Agcy

Emigration of Indians
Commissy Genl of Subs
Washington City

Esmij & Choctaw
St. J. R. Stephenson

Ft. Towson
Oct 13. 1823.

Sends his Acts for 3rd qr. 1823
also abstracts of property and
Abst. of Subs. qrly Statement
of Agents - of Alterations
by death &c. Ren and Amount
of funds applicable to the
purchasing of Cattle

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Rec'd Nov.

Fort Towson West Ark Ty.
October 13. 1833.

Sir

I herewith enclose my accounts current with Abstracts of Disbursements for Contingencies for the 3d Quarter of the present year— Return of Property with Abstracts of Sales, Quarterly Statements of Agents employed by me,— and Statements of Alterations by births deaths &c

I also enclose my accounts Current on account of Funds applicable to supplying cattle to Emigrants Choctaws received under appraisements &c. The furnishing Provisions to the Emigrant Choctaws at the several Depots under my charge is going on regularly and as far as I am aware perfectly to the satisfaction of all Concerned,—

Yours Respectfully
Jas R. Shackelford
Lt U. S. Army
Disbg Agt Choctaw Emg

Emigration of Indians
Com. Genl of Subsistence
Washington City

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Quarterly Statement of Agents and others employed in the removal on the thirtieth day of September 1833.

No.	Names	Stations	Dates of Employment	Compensation	
1	P. McKinley	Fort Towson Depot	6th Dec. 1831	$60. pr Month	Clerk &
2	James Penney	" " "	1st of March 1832	$66 " "	Assista
3	Geo. F. Lawton	Ft. Fork "	21st June 1833	$66 " "	Ditto

the removal and subsistence of the Choctaw Indians for the Quarter ending

sation	Remarks
Month	Clerk for Lieut Col R Stephenson U S Army Disbg Agt Choct Remo
"	Assistants &c
"	Ditto &c.

Lt Col R. Stephenson
U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Rem.

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Statement shewing the Alterations of the Emigrations of Choctaw Indians by Births Deaths &c. in the quarter ending the Thirtieth day of September 1833. by Lieut. James R. Stephenson U. S. Army Disbg Agt Choct Remk.

No. of Emigrant Choctaws drawing Rations last Statement	To be Deducted					Remaining	To be added			Number remaining and still drawing Subsistence	
	No. who have received their grant of Reservation			No. of Strangers to last Statement	Total Number		No. of New Emigrants joined since last Statement	No. of Emigrants joined by Strangers from last Statement	Total Number		
4350	25	-	-	4	29	4321	622	70	692	5013	

Fort Towson West Ark Ty
September 30th 1833

Jas. R. Stephenson
U. S. Army
Disbg. agt. Choctaw Rem.d

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Estimate of Funds required for the removal and subsistence of Choctaw Indians, for the 3d and 4th Quarters of the year 1833. with the application in detail, intended to be made of them. by Lieut. James R. Stephenson U. S. Army, Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Removal

Dates 1833		$	cts
August 1st	For the services of a Clerk for the 3d and 4th Quarters of 1833, @ $50. per month.	300	00
" "	For Ditto " Two Assistants " " " " " @ $66. per month. each	792	00
" "	For Ditto " Stage Off. " " " " " @ $61. " "	366	00
" "	For Contingencies, Stationary &c.	150	00
		1608	00
	Deduct, Amount, estimated to remain on hand	601	40
	Amount required	1006	60

Jas R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Rem.l
"

Ewing 86. Choctaw

Lt. J. K. Stephenson,

Fort Towson 10 Sept.

1833 —

Explaining the manner

of issuing provisions

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Rec'd Dec. 16.

Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty
November 10th 1833

Sir

Your letter under date of the 25th September has been received. This letter says, that Returns (Checks) do not accompany my Quarterly Returns of Provisions according to Regulations — Agreeably to my last instructions from your Office, I am only required to furnish Monthly Returns with Abstracts to Capt Brown. Pass. Dis. Agt. at Little Rock; this I have never failed to do, and at the same time furnishing the Contractor with the Returns (Checks) corresponding to each issue as entered in my abstracts. This plan was not adopted until the present method of supplying the Emigrants (Choctaws, with complete Returns was carried into effect, which first commenced on the 1st February last. Previous to this, all issues were made on simple orders signed by myself or Clerk, or on Memorandums taken to the place of issue by myself or some of my Assistants. I will here state, that, before any orders or Memorandums were taken from my Office, that the amount required for each Company, was entered on Abstracts which were Vouchers to my Returns. By referring to my letter dated the 15th Oct 1832, wherein I spoke of relation to gain on Beef issues, you will find I spoke fully of the manner in which I made my issues — Your Letter requires me to furnish you with the Returns, on which my Issues were made in the 4th Quarter 1832 and 1st & 2nd Quarter 1833.

From what I have said above, you will see the

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impossibility of my complying with this order. I can only furnish you with Returns (blanks) covering every issue by referring to the Duplicate Abstracts in my possession, but in doing this, it will require several Books of Provision Returns.

From a recent letter from Capt Brown, I am induced to believe that the letter which should have accompanied my Quarterly Accounts to your Office for 3rd Quarter present year, was enclosed to him; and that the letter designed for him, was sent to you; fearing such might be the fact I enclose a copy of the letter which should have accompanied my accounts. Should such prove to be a fact, I hope you will look upon it as a casualty; after I had arranged my papers for the mail, I directed my clerk to envelope them, being otherwise employed myself.

I Am Sir
Very Respectfully
your Obdt Servt
Jno. R. Stephenson
Lt. U.S. Army
Disbg. Agt Cherokees Miss.

Emigration of Indians
Com. Genl. Subsc.
Washington City

Camp Cherokee

Lt. J. Vanderbilt

Fort Lawson.

Dec 18 1832

Has arrived near Ft Lawson with a party of Indians & ordered them to be enrolled by Lt Stephenson

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Ft Smith Ark 14th Dec. 1892

Sir

I arrived near Lieut. J. P. Stephenson's place of issue near this place, to day, with the party of Choctaw Indians (Six Towns) placed under my charge by Maj. H. W. Armstrong. Special Agent, on the northern bank of the Arkansas river opposite Little Rock 28th September 1892. I immediately mustered the party, and caused them to be enrolled by Lieut. Stephenson in my presence. Inasmuch as no muster roll was given to me when I took charge this party, and have been unable to procure or see any up to the present moment, I am enabled to postpone until my arrival at Nashville, where I am desired to settle my accounts, an explanation of the changes which have occured since the last muster.

I started from the Arkansas river with 629 Indians in my party. The number mustered & enrolled on my arrival here is 645. The alterations will appear in the muster roll.

There was very little sickness in the party & they improved in health each day after leaving Little Rock. The trip was performed with ease, & with comfort & satisfaction on the part of

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the Indians.

In your letter to me dated 10 Sept. 1832, you say to me, "Instructions will be forwarded to your address, care of Wm. Armstrong Esq: Superintt of the removal of the Choctaws at the Choctaw Agency Miss'ippi." I received order from Maj. F. W. Armstrong at Vicksburg and proceeded with a party from thence to Little Rock. In consequence of this perhaps, I have not yet received these instructions, although I wrote to the Post-master at the Choctaw Agency desiring him to forward to me any communications in his office addressed to me. I should be glad to receive these instructions & the blanks necessary to enable me to make out my accounts at Nashville.

On my arrival at Vicksburg 2d Oct. Mr. Wm Armstrong was not there. I took from the Post office a letter from him directed to me, stating that he had gone to Memphis. That Lieut Montgomery & Simonton were discharging Offices for the two detachments of Indians in that neighbourhood, and that it would therefore be unnecessary for me to leave Vicksburgh before the end of the month. when he would be there. I remained therefore

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until the end of the months when Maj. F. P. Armstrong arrived & informed me that his brother would not be at liberty
The Maj. at the same time directed me to proceed with a
party of horses from Vicksburg, to assist in forwarding the mail &c on
the road from Rock Port to Fort Towson. I accordingly did
so. I have deemed it proper to inform you of these
circumstances.

Very respectfully
Sir
your Obt. Servt.

Brig. Gen. Gibson
Com. Gen. Subsistence

C. Thos. Stone
Dis. Agt. Ch. Nation

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Transportat*

November , 183*2* , *by Lieut. C. Mc Lane U.S.*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dollars.
183*2* November 5th	D. H. White	One bushel Dent Corn, for subsistence of Ponies	1
5	William Collins	Forage & Provender for Post Dispatch Rider	
6	Jesse Roberts	Use of Canoe & Hands to cross Sandy Run Bayou	2
"	Abel Benson	Forage One half Bushels Corn, for subsistence of Ponies	19
8	Isaac Ward	Seven One half Do: Do:	3
12	Thomas Hindley	Two hundred pounds Hay @ 1½ D: Do:	25
"	Thomas Hindley	Keeping 5 Ponies Christmas Day Evening & Night	6
16	Charles Lyle	Three bushels Corn, for subsistence of Ponies	9
19	Jacob Rudasill	Twenty-three Do Do:	11
21	Joseph Stone	Eleven One half Do: Do:	5
22	Lancaster Brumsey	Nineteen bushels 2 qts Corn Do Do:	9
28	Wm Douglass	Two bushels 1 qt Corn Do Do:	1
			$ 10

I Certify *that the above* Abstr

Dated *December* 1st, 183*2*

sportation of the Emigrating Choctaw **Indians** for the Month of

Disbursing Agent of the United States for the removal & subsistence of Indians.

Dollars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
1	20	
	50½	
2	00	
19	37½	
2	75	
35	44	
6	87½	
22	25	
11	50	
5	25	
14	93¾	
1	25	
104	56¾	

Abstract *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed John Ross Principal Chief & U.S. Disbursing Agent

In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Subsistence*

November, 183*2*, *by Lieut. S. Van Horne Disb'g.*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dollars.
1832 Nov. 10	[illegible]	[illegible]	11
	[illegible]	[illegible]	6
"	[illegible]	[illegible]	92
	[illegible]	[illegible]	10
14	[illegible]	[illegible]	2
20	[illegible]	[illegible]	2
17	[illegible]	[illegible]	2
20	[illegible]	[illegible]	1
"	[illegible]	[illegible]	4
"	[illegible]	[illegible]	3
22	[illegible]	[illegible]	4
			53

I Certify *that the above* Abstra

Dated *December* 1st, 1832

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Disbursing Agent of the United States for the removal & subsistence of Indians.

Dollars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
11	42	
6	50	
2	xx	
10	92½	
2	62½	
5	25	
1	63	
1	50	
4	50	
3	62½	
4	86	
53	76¼	

Abstract *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed [illegible] D. Disbursing Agent

In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.

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Commissary Gen'l of Subs. LR 1834 A-B Choctaw

Comg 72 Choctaw

Maj F. W. Armstrong

Fort Towson 16th Decr

1833

Has prac[tic]a Commutation
to the Indians on Arkansas
will pay those at Mountain
Fork depot on 7th & those at
Fort Towson on 19th Decr

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Rec. Dec 17th.

Fort Towson Dec.r 15th 1833.

Genl George Gibson

Comr Genl Sub.

Sir

I have the honour of informing you that we completed the payment to the commatation Indians on Arkansas river on the 8th Inst to all that were not out hunting. the few that are yet to be paid are notified to be at the agency on the 15th January. by which time I will be able to finish paying for this river and get back to the agency. To.morrow we pay at the mountain fork depot - and on the 19th we pay at this place -

The emigrating party conducted by John. M. Millard reached the agency on the 3rd Inst and all the issues made to them of Arms. axes &c on the day after.

Capt Page left here yesterday for Nashville having delivered his party here on the 11th this month. The season has been good and you will perceive that the emigrants made an uncommonly rapid march.

I only regret that those unfortunate people who are now east have acted so foolishly. they must suffer unless the Government yet extends relief to them.

I am of the opinion that no allowance under the Treaty can be made any Indian on his arrival here unless he left the old nation before the

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the 1st day of January 1834. I will report more fully to you at the end of this Quarter.

I have the honor to be

Your obt. Servt.

J. W. Armstrong

Lt A

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Doaksville
16th Decr 1833.

Lt. Wharton Rector
Asst. Agt. Choc. Rens.

Sir

You will repair forthwith to Little Rock and report your self to Capt. Brown Principal Disbursing agent. I have written to the Captain that under this instructions, you will be ready to aid any party of Indians entitled to the assistance of the Government who have commenced their march from the old Nation previous to the first day of January 1834. should any such ask for assistance — I have deemed this course necessary from the business of last season, because those unfortunate people will I fear be straggling on during the whole of the early part of this winter — On reaching Captain Brown show him your instructions and consider yourself entirely under his controle —

Yours very respectfully
Signed F. W. Armstrong
C. A.

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Rec.d Wollow Agency 24.th Jany: 1834

Gen.l Geo: Gibson

Com.r Gen.l of Sub:

Sir

I have the honour of reporting to you that the commutation due the Indians who emigrated on their own resourses have been paid as far as is practicable at present, indeed there are but few, but what have received all they are entitled to, except such as have emigrated since the first day of September 1833 —

In paying Kincaids party who could not get further on than Memphis (say about five hundred) I determined that they had traveled about two fifths of the way, which was paying them four dollars for two hundred miles, it being about five hundred from the neighbourhood of the agency east of the Missisippi, to this place —

The payment of Kincaids party opened the door to some other payments, to come at which upon principles of Justice, It became necessary for me to fix upon certain rules to be adhered to, in the payments to be made which are as follows —

First — I have refused to pay any Indian who had either been enroled or had drawn rations from the Government, although in some instance, it was proven that they had drawn but for a day and then left the rendezvous —

Second — Such families as had not been aided by Government, but left after the emigrating party, or parties had taken up the march, and by their own efforts overtook the Government party, I have put them on the same footing with Kincaids party according to the distance actually traveled —

Third — I have refused to allow any thing to straggling hunters who had no children, although in some instances they have had their wives with them and overtook the party on the march — I cannot agree

that

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that they had any claim, because the Government had prepared ample means for all, and those fellows had no excuse for not joining —

Fourthly — I have refused to pay commutation to those who left the old nation after the first day of September 1833., because I did believe that it was understood when I left the city that no more commutation would be allowed. I have stated to them that it was for the Hon.ble Secretary of War and yourself to determine this matter —

I will now proceed to report upon the emigration generally, because by the third article of the treaty I consider it properly closed on the last day of December 1833. of which I advised you in a former letter, Still on this side of the river I have felt it my duty to be prepared to give assistance to any Indian that might require it. who had left the old nation before the first day of this month. of which I advised Captain Brown. Supposing a party of Indians to have left the old nation on the last day of December, three months will be sufficient time for the Government to allow them to get to their new country. therefore I have the honour of reporting to you that. I consider the emigration as finally closed on the last day of March 1834 — The Officers engaged in the last falls emigration were all discharged immediately on being relieved from their duty, except Col.o Rector, I gave him an order to report to Captain Brown, a copy of which is herewith enclosed. I will be in Washington City in March next. prepared to make any explination that may be required — In closing this report I cannot but regret that so few Indians emigrated last fall. every thing had been prepared and great efforts made. and those that did come to their new country got over in good time, and before the weather set in bad or cold — they enjoyed uncommon good health on the rout. there not being more than two or three deaths —

By refering to my labour and many of the other Officers engaged, you will see that we have had more trouble with the commutation Indians, than with the emigrants, therefore the commutation Indians for 1832 & 1833 should be added in coming to the expense per head for these two seasons, because they have added greatly to our expenses in preparing to remove them - In two instances engaging teams kept for some time at the expense of Government and at the moment of starting, these commutation Indians have refused to march —

I consider it my duty to state, that a change of Officers is calculated to operate greatly against the interest of the Government and the Indians - The emigration from the east side of the Mississippi will no doubt be continued and I feel that it would be a neglect of duty and an act of injustice to Capt. Brown, were I to omit to state that his knowledge of the people of this Country and its resources, makes it all important that he should remain in his present situation, with some person as his assistant that he has full confidence in, and whose knowledge of the country and its means, is equal to his own, with this assistant and a Superintendant to receive them, and perform the duties which have been assigned me, will be all the Officers necessary on this side of the Mississippi — this organization will ensure the proper supplies for any number of Indians now to come - The uncertainty of numbers heretofore, may be avoided, which will save great expense, because the distance is so great from the Cherokee & Creek country that the superintendant there will have time sufficient to make out and forward to the Superintendant here, precise estimates for every thing wanting, and all can be prepared here before the parties reach the west bank of the Mississippi - I think it also my duty to state that Col. Wharton Rector's experience in the management of Indians, the acknowledged fact that he has conducted the two parties that were left entirely to his superintendance with great econo-

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to the Government, his perseverance in getting them to their new country, under the most difficult circumstances, because the weather was extremely bad, and he was known in the rear, in both instances to bring up every discription of Stragglers; which, in justice entitles him to the confidance of the Government, he too, knows every man in the Territory, personally, who would most likely be engaged in Contracts &c. There cannot be found any one who understands more about the country and its means than he does. Capt. Brown like myself has the fullest confidance in the energy and integrity of Lieut. Porter. I speak advisedly on this subject, because I have heard the Captain to express himself during the last falls emigration. I therefore take great pleasure in recommending him to the Government as an Assistant agent to perform the duties as before stated.

I have the honour to be with high regard your most obt. Servt.

W. Armstrong

Emig 75 Shortage.
T. W. Armstrong
Agency 24 Sac & Fox
1834

The commissioner [illegible] for a practicable [illegible] cattle [illegible] they were [illegible] Emigration claims [illegible] Capt. Kay &c in 1833 – but will [illegible] and left Rome before 1 Jan'y 1834.

Officers stockaded [illegible] office at Lieut. Porter's [illegible] whom he recommended [illegible] for [illegible]

Referred 76

May 1st W.C. Stanbury

Washington Feb 23 34

Stating that in consequence of the Depts having directed pay to be issued to Choctaw Emigrants who arrive west after the 24th Feby 1834, they were suffering for food &c.

The Secy of War therefore directs that all Choctaws fed who arrive west before the 1st of May.

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Refused Apl 24

Washington
April 23. 1834.

Sir.

Under an order from the Commissary General's Department, dated 20th January last, no issues can be made to Choctaws, arriving in their Country west, after the 24th day of February last. The issuing Commissaries on the Arkansas & Red river have refused to allow commutation, or issue any part of the years supply to Indians, arriving subsequent to the above date. This order is now operating, as I humbly conceive, against the evident right of the Indians, secured to them under the 3d. article of the treaty, which I copy for your examination.

Art. 3. In consideration of the provisions, contained in the several articles of this treaty, the Choctaw nation of Indians consent, & hereby cede to the United States, the entire country they own & possess, east of the Mississippi river; & they agree to remove beyond the Mississippi river early as practicable, & will so arrange their removal, that as many as possible of their people, not exceeding one half the whole number, shall depart during the falls of 1831 & 32; the residue to follow during the succeeding falls of 1833; a better opportunity in this manner will be afforded the government to extend to them the facilities & comforts, which it is desirable should be extended, in conveying them

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to their new homes."

Here, as I understand it, the times of departure only are fixed, but no time whatever is specified for their reaching their new homes. If it were, it would not affect present case. There are several hundred emigrants, who left the country east within the times prescribed in the treaty, & trusted upon their own resources, but did not reach their new country before the 24th day of February. These emigrants are suffering for want of the supplies referred to.

The government can lose nothing by the construction, contended for by me, because if they never arrive, they will get nothing.

I have the honor to be
Your obt Sot

F. W. Armstrong
C. a

Hon
Lewis Cass
Secretary of War

See Answer in the case of those,
who arrive within a reasonable
time after the time fixed for their
final departure. Say, for the present,
those who arrive within the month of March
&c.

Choctaws
Copy
from F. W. Armstrong
25 Feb 1864

Relative to furnishing
supplies to suffering
Indians - Copy also
of Gen. Arbuckle

(Copy) Agency 25 Feby 1834

Col M Arbuckle
Comdg Fort Gibson

Dr Sir

We are now furnishing the
ipers of the days. to the Suffering
Indians I find it impossible
to procure or further Supply
short of the Mississippi

The Object therefore of this
express to you is to ask from
you the loan of 500 bushels
of corn from the Supply that
Fort Calling will prob ably
more have with. I am
ready to go off in the first boat
and the corn if loaned shall
be returned as soon as practica
ble This Accomadation will

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I subsist them on Miserable Issues of
Bread until the Middle of April
by Which time I hope Certainly
to have our Supply here

The situation of the
people is worse than I really
thought when I said you
they are now Issued as without
any- thing but the Issue Making
(No Meat)

Last Rains has
a Swamp of damaged Pork
that he is giving them. The women
& Children Many of them according
to what they say & from appearances
have been from 4 to 6 days
without [redacted]
Any thing - Some

of them have a corn mear
and eat that — An early
reply to this if practicable will ena
=ble the order from you to Lieut
Callein to be presented to him
at Fort Smith. & he can send
the Corn at the Chactaw House
House — Should he stop in
the night do send us back the
Corn to this place — I feel
confident that it will afford
you great pleasure to aid
these people & I hope the
express will set back before
your boat proceeds up —

I am with high
Regard your
Ob't Sert
J. W. Armistead
C A

(Copy)

Head Quarters 7th Regt
Fort Gibson
28 July 1834

Dear Sir

Your — will receive enclosed my instruction to Lieut Talliaferro under this date which you will seal & deliver to him. By which you will perceive, that I have taken the responsibility of complying with your request. to forward five hundred bushels of Corn to prevent the Choctaws from great suffering or starving with hunger. It is understood by me that you will return or cause to be returned at this post. the Corn you obtain of the Eastern Mustang Depot in all April as early in May next and thanks the Commissioners approval of it — sixty or perhaps one hundred bushels of flour we have can be spared

Your respectfully

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this morning about 8 o'clk she will be furnished with four days provision — and required to Rendezvous with my Communication to be put in about two hours

I am Dr Sir
with the highest
respect your
Obedient Servant
(Signed) M. Perry
Commg 1st Squ. Coast

Ens 79. Choctaw

Maj T. P. Armstrong
Washington 16th May 1834

Enclosing a certificate
signed by one of Mr.
Gain's Ass.t Agents
in favour of Samuel
Garland for part of
Commutation allowance
granted to Choctaws

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Washington Dc

I certify that Lam.l Garland has borne
the expenses of himself & two negro slaves
as far as Memphis & it would seem that he
ought to be paid by the Government
something for said expenses as he has given
up his commutation ticket & is going the
balance of the way at the expense of the
Government

30.th Nov. 1831 Thos McGee a.st
a.g.l Rem & Disb.d

Washington dc.
16th May 1834.

Gen. Geo. Gibson
Com. of Indian Affairs.

Sir:

I have the honor of inclosing you a certificate signed by one of Mr. Gains' assistant Agents, in favour of Sam'l. Garland, for a part of the Commutation allowance granted to the emigrating Choctaws.

Mr. Garland went West in the fall of 1831, as stated in the certificate; but did not take his family until the Fall of 1833. His claim is for Commutation, for travelling from the Agency East to Memphis, in 1831. He has also another claim for his entire family in 1832.

In allowing this claim it will be necessary to refer it to the disbursing Officer at the Agency West, - who can compare it with his other claim for 1832 and allow for this part of his family named in the certificate, the Amount of $4 the same allowed Pinkard's party.

I have the honour
to be with great respect
Yr. Obt. Servant

F. W. Armstrong
C. C.

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Referred 80_

F. W. Hackney
Boston, Mass. May 1. 34

This letter refers to a cont. made by Majr A— with a Mr Baker for the Chocktaw Country which Mr B— is making them advances upon. The troops will be leaving Augusta for the Indian Nation ... Majr A— proposes to change the Contract & let the men make the proper preparations for their journey by giving them [redacted]

See abstract for the original contract on file.

This letter is handed to me by Majr Armstrong with the Secretary's verbal instructions to carry the Major's views into effect.

W. C. C.

May 19. 1834

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Referred by Secy. War
to the acting Com. on
May 19. 1834

Washington 18th March 1834.

Hon Lewis Cass
Secy of War.

Sir: By a reference to the contract for making the looms and wheels for the Choctaws as provided for by Treaty, it will be seen that they are to be inspected by the Agent and delivered at my agency, — from which place the proportion to be given to the Red River Indians will, of course, as all other articles have been, be transported to the same points on Red River. The transportation of these Articles will cost a considerable sum. The Contract was let out to the lowest bidders, with a view to let persons make the wheels and looms at any place within the States, & transport them up the Arkansas to the Agency. This course, it was thought, would enable the Articles at a much lower price. The obstructions in the navigation on Red River prevented the idea, that any one would contract for the delivery in that part of the Nation. The Contractor Mr. Baker, is a worthy man, and is now with a number of hands engaged near my Agency in this work with a view to secure considerable expense to the Treaty, and even to better his own Contract, for I have satisfied him that he will in some degree be benefitted. I proposed to Mr Baker the amendment in the contract for both parties.

1. That an agreement be made with him to make the proportion of Looms and Wheels due the Red River

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Indians at Raig's Mills, near Fort Towson.

2. That the U. States in addition to the present Contract allow Mr. Baker amount sufficient to establish himself at the point proposed.

3. This allowance can be agreed on by the examination of the Agents first at Fort Towson for the accommodation of his Hands; and an account setting forth the various allowances granted him by which this portion of the Contract can be finished on Red River - without any additional expense to himself.

4. It is believed that near three-fourths of the article will be required on Red River.

5. In explanation & further of the advantages and the reasons in favour of this alleviation in the Contract, a good Saw-Mill was erected by Joel Nail last fall, at the point where this portion of the work is proposed to be finished. Mr Baker admits, to Saw the Lumber by hand, as he now does, is both expensive and tedious, and that he would derive considerable advantage by being located at the Mill; but he is now settled with his family and has all his fixtures in operation for the completion of his Contract. He is willing to move if indemnified for the additional expense, as he asks no thing but his profits on the Contract, and the advantages of the Saw Mill.

6. For the reasons stated, I am clearly of the opinion that it is greatly to the interest of the Government, that the proper allowance be made to Mr Baker by which the Govt a much greater sum will be saved to the U. States, than that which it will be necessary to allow Mr. Baker to induce him to carry this proposed change into effect.

I have the honor to be
Y^r Obt Servant
F W Armstrong
C. U. S.

The acct. of Major J. W. Armstrong and John A Reed with the opinion of the Attorney General are this day filed with Capt. Brown's acct. of Disbt. for Choctaw Emig. Bois. 16 & 17 of the County of Sc. of 1834. —

See letter to Capt. Brown dated the 25. May 1834 - in Letter B. and the Letter to Capt. Brown filed with the Account.

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[redacted]

((Copy)) Nashville Augst 29th 1833.

Mr F. W. Armstrong.

Harris send a publication in the Re=
=publican for the receiving of sealed proposals, for making
399 Looms and 999 Spinning wheels to be delivered
at the Warehouse Chactaw Agency situated about
15 miles from Fort Smith on the South bank of
the Arkansas river. I submit the following pro=
=position to you as Agent of the Chactaw Indians
I will make and deliver the said Spinning
wheels at the ware house at the price of four dollars
a piece; and the looms at the price of fourteen
dollars and fifty cents a piece - the aforesaid Spin=
=ning wheels and looms will be made and de=
=livered according to the terms mentioned in
the publication above alluded to

(Signed)
Robt Baker

(N. B. I live in Henderson County Western district,
town of Lexington -

True copy
Test W. Clarke

Envg 87 Choctaw

Maj. J. W. Armstrong
Choctaw Agency 9 Oct 1834

Mr. Baker did not deliver the Wheels & Looms in accordance with his Contract because he was unable to receive the requisite Iron.

Maj. A. does not feel Authorized to make an Arrangement for the remainder of work until he hears from the Dept.

He advises that further time be allowed Mr. B. &

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Rec? 10 Nov.

Choctaw Agency Oct 9th 1834

Genl George Gibson

Com. Gen. of Subsistence

Sir

It becomes my duty to report to you that Mr Baker has failed to deliver the 250 wheels and one hundred Looms on the 30th day of June last.

It is due however, to Mr Baker that I should state that the uncommon and continued low stage of the river has prevented him from getting up his Looms, which were procured at Cincinnatti. He has, I believe, his timber well seasoned, and is now forwarding with such parts of the work as can be done without the Looms.

I do not feel myself authorized to make the arrangement for the remainder of the work to be done on Red River, until I hear from you, that further time is allowed for the completion of the first part of the contract. I do not consider that the interest of the Indians has suffered as yet, for they have not raised but very little cotton (if any). I recommend therefore, under all these circumstances that further time be allowed Mr. Baker. Besides the great disappointment growing out of the low stage of the river, during the past season, he has had a good deal of sickness among his hands, indeed every body in the country has been more or less sick, as far as I can learn.

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I have the honor to be
Your Obt Servt.

F. W. Armstrong
Lt A

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Robert Baker contracted with P. Mc Armstrong to make and deliver at the Choctaw Agency on the Arkansas River, 400 Looms and 1000 Spinning Wheels. After his arrangements for fulfilling the contract were made and some of the articles delivered, he was required to furnish the remainder at a point on the Red River, near Fort Towson with the understanding that the "United States would pay Mr. Baker for all the Expense necessary to establish himself at the point stated", the objection that he should "not incur any additional Expense in consequence of his removing from the place where he is now located, to complete his contract" (P. Mc. Armstrong's letter to Pickett & Gibson)

Major Armstrong & Mr Baker having agreed that Messrs. Geo. Pickett & Robt. J. Gibson should determine the amount of this additional Expense, those persons appraised the damages, Expenses, &c at $2,180; they also made a further allowance of $5. for the transportation of every hundred pounds of Wheel & Loom from which weight he was originally transported. This assessment is the foundation of the claim.

It appears that a short time after his removal to the Red River Mr. Baker died, leaving the contract unfulfilled; that when his administrator the claimant, called on Capt. Wm. Armstrong, the successor of P. Mc. Armstrong for settlement of this accounts, Capt. A. refused to pay any part of the amount allowed by P. & G., and declined paying the balance due for wheels and looms if the administrator would consent to give a receipt in full, which he did, with the understanding, as he says, that his doing so would not prejudice the claim for Expenses of removal.

It is suggested that the agent be instructed to report.

1. Whether there is any sufficient reason for reversing the decision of Pickett & Gibson.
2. Whether the Government sustained any loss from breach of contract in consequence of Baker's death or otherwise which should be deducted from the amount awarded by Pickett & Gibson.

Enrj 220 Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown

L. R. Dec. 22. 1833.

Giving his views of the time up to which issues are to be made to Emigrant Choctaws after their arrival West.

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Rec.d 15 Jan.y

Little Rock. A. T.
Dec. 22d 1833

Sir:

Lieut. Stephenson desires to be informed whether he shall continue to Register and furnish with Provisions such Emigrant Choctaws as may arrive after the close of the present year, to which I have replied, and have directed him to continue to Register and furnish Provisions to the Emigrants until otherwise and more particularly instructed in relation thereto. My views of the Treaty, and its obligations are these - that although the period stipulated for their Removal, closes with the present year, and consequently closes all expenses incident to migration, yet should Emigrants reach their New Country, any time within the year 1834, they would be entitled to subsistence up to the close of that year - that is, from the period of arrival. To be more fully understood, say that a party arrives on the 31st January, 1834, they will be entitled to Subsistence to the 31st Dec. following - eleven months - thus all that reach their new Country within the year 1834, to be subsisted from the date of arrival to the close of said year.

If my construction in relation to the furnishing, as above stated, is incorrect, I must request to be so informed, and without delay, that early instructions may be given to Agents

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to cease making Issues to Emigrants arriving after the close of present year.

I have the honor to be,
very Respectfully,
your Obt. Servt.

J Brown Capt 1st Art
Asst Insp Gen Rec'd

Genl. Geo. Gibson
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington D.C.

Emig. 222 Ex. 30

Capt. J. Brown

L. Rock, Dec. 29. 1833.

Enclosed Mr. Rainer's

Estimate of Funds for

1st. 1834.

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Rec'd 22 Jany

Little Rock. A. T.
Dec. 29. 1833.

Sir:

I enclose herewith, Lieut Rains' "Estimate of Funds" for 1st qr. of 1834.— and I have the honor to be,

very Respectfully,

Your. Obt. Servt.

J. Brown Capt. n.d.t.
& Dis Agt. Ind Affrs.

Genl. Geo. Gibson.
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D. C.

Emig Letters Choctaw

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Capt J. Brown

Ft R. Jany 14th 1834

Enclosing a statement of expenditures "Not incurred in the Rem[oval] & Subsistence of Indians"

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Rec'd Feby 8. 1834

Little Rock. A. T.
Jany. 14th 1834.

Sir: I have the honor to enclose herewith, Statement of Expenditures "Not incurred in the Removal and Subsistence of Indians." from Funds applicable to the Removal and Subsistence of Choctaw Indians for the 4th quarter of 1833.

Very Respectfully.
I have the honor to be,
your obt. Servt.

J J Prentice Capt. 1st A.
Br Gen & A.G. 2nd Mil. Dist.

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D. C.

Ltr 234 Choctaw
Capt. J. Brown
L. Rock, Jany 22d 1834

covering Contracts &c
for supplying Choctaws
at Dwight Agency and
Pheasant Bluff depots.
No Contract has been made
for Cavenos depot -
the same to be furnished
by purchase.

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Rec'd 18 Feby

Little Rock. A.T.
Jany. 22d. 1834.

Sir:

Herewith is covered two Contracts with Bonds entered into for supplying Choctaws with Rations at the Agency and Pheasant Bluff Depots, Arkansas District, to the 30th Septr. 1834.

No Contract has yet been made for the Carimole Depot. Instructions have been given to furnish the same from time to time by purchase.

I have the honor to be,

Very Respectfully,

Your Obt. Servt.

Wm Cobb

Genl. Geo. Gibson
Comsy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

Wm Cobb Capt 4th Inf
& Brevet 2nd Lieut

Emig 237 Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown

L. Rock, Jany 2d 1834

Has directed Lt Van Horn to issue at Camden depot.—
It Rains is directed also to discharge J. S. McClellan.

Dr Fulton is informed that his services will not be required after Feby. The contract made 5th Sept. have been fulfilled. Lt Van Horn shows that more issues were made than there were Indians — Over $10.000 in Bank at N. Orleans &c.

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Rec'd 24 Feby

Little Rock, A.T.
Jany. 27th 1834.

Sir:

Lieut. Van Horn having closed Issues of subsistence to the Senneca and Shawnee Indians. I have directed him to take charge of the Issues at Carnicle Depot. on the Porteau River. about 20 miles from the New Choctaw Agency. He will be at the Agency by the first proximo. and will immediately take charge of the Depot. And on his arrival and receiving charge of said Depot. I have directed Lieut. Rains to discharge from further service, Mr. Jno. S. McClellan. who has been employed as an Assistant in making issues to the Emigrants at that place. I have also informed D.P. Fulton. Asst. Agt. Ind. Rem. that his services will not be required in the Issuing Department after the close of February next. In the meantime Lieut. Rains is informed, that if notice of discontinuance from you should reach him (the Doctor) at the Agency; any time prior to the close of February next, that his services will cease at the time of receiving such notices.

All the contracts made on the 3th of September last have been fulfilled. And I hope soon to learn of the Deposit of the Funds applied for 25th December last, to meet the claims of Contractors for said furnishing. The means now in hand and at control, applicable thereto, being about six thousand dollars - this supposes the adjustment of all prior claims.

Your communication dated 2d Oct. last, directs the payment of Mr. Douglass' accou

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for supplying the Seminoe and Shawnee Indians with subsistence, to be suspended until instructions in relation thereto is received. This is now advised to, from the circumstances of the Contract being fulfilled, and from the probability of the claimant soon calling soon calling for a settlement. Hence a wish to be apprized of the determination of the Department in relation to stoppages of the over issues. The Report of Lieut Van Horn shows very conclusively that more Rations have been issued than there were Indians. — Yet his conclusions are, that such was not the fault of the Contractor. — see Lt. Van Horn's Report, dated 7th Dec. 1833. — how that is, I shall not pretend to say. Lt. Van Horn appears to have given the subject a very thorough investigation, and has brought to light a looseness of proceedure not anticipated. That the first Contractor Bailey was fully aware of the erroneous transactions, there can be but little doubt.

A small Balance of Appropriation for the Removal and Subsistence of Choctaws, and also for the Seminoe and Shawnee Removal, as well as the Two Thousand, recently ordered to pay the Creek Emigrants, in all, over Two Thousand Dollars, is in Bank at New-Orleans, and for which place I shall leave by first Steam Boat conveyance for the purpose of getting the money.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.

J Brown Capt 4 I.A.
Maj Art Ind Rem.

Genl Geo. Gibson.
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington, D.C.

Emig 238 Choctaw
Capt. J. Y. Brown
L. Rock - Jany 31. 1834

Relative to the Accountability of Wm Rector for certain "Hardbread"

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Little Rock. A.T.
Janv. 31. 1834.

Sir:

In compliance with your instructions dated the 20th of August last. and which was received 13th " September following. in relation to the accountability of some "Hard Bread" by Col. Wm. Rector asst. dgt. for the Removal of Choctaws - I have to state, that at the time the communication was received, it was believed by Mr. Rector that he had among his papers, sufficient memoranda to show the disposition and correct accountability of the Bread but. as yet. such has not been found, nor can I get any information in relation thereto. from the then Contractors. Byrd & Belding. and to whom you refer. Col. Rector informs me that he intends going to Washington this Winter. where he thinks by reference to his Returns he will be able satisfactorily to explain the transaction. The cash Balance was turned over 15th " September last.

I have the honor to be.

Very Respectfully.

your obt. Servt.

J Brown Capt. U.S.A
A. D. G. Arkt. and Pens.

Genl. Geo. Gibson.
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

Emig 241 Choctaw

Capt J. Brown

L. Rock 3d March

1834

Has funds sufficient up to close of 1833. for the Choctaws west. Has directed Lt Davis to sell certain Waggons & Horses Hq directed Lt VanHorn to proceed to Creek Nation will remit Semi funds &c

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Rec. 29 do Marks

Little Rock, A. Ty.
March 3d 1834.

Sir:

Having returned from N. Orleans, where I have been for Funds, I have now the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your several communications of the following dates. 18th 20th 21st 22d 27th and 29th Jany. 1834.

The notice of the Deposit of the $32.940 refered to in yours of the 18th Jany. reached me in time to be availed by present trip to New Orleans, which, together with other Funds in hand, will be sufficient to meet all claims connected with the Choctaw Removal, West, up to the close of 1833. and sufficient, I think, to pay the remaining commutation claims of those Emigrants who have moved on their own resources; and also sufficient Funds for current Transactions at the several stations, up to the 30th June next.

To guard against any delay that may arise in the reception of your Instructions under date of the 20th Jany. by Agents, in relation to commutation payments, as well as subsisting such Choctaws as may reach their new Country subsequent to the 24th February last. I have addressed them (the agents,) on the subject, and directed them to shape their duties accordingly. I have also called for such estimates & statements as will enable me to be specific

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in my next Estimate, (3d qrs) for Funds. I shall apprize the several proprietors of Ferries on the different Routes, that no charges for ferrying Choctaws subsequent to the date above fixed, will be paid by the United States.

I have directed Lieut. Rains to make sale at Auction, of the two Wagons and Teams that were reserved from sale last fall, they having been employed hauling annuity Goods across the country from Fort Smith to the Red River section of the Choctaw Country - and which for the present, is accomplished. I have also directed the Lieutenant to sell the Public Horse, at the same time. The sale will take place on the 29th instant.

The other instructions and intimations contained in the communication above refered to will be kept constantly in recollection. The principles laid down for Settlements, and the tenor, solicitude of a strict adhearance to economy shall not be lost sight of.

In reference to the communication under date of the 21st Jany, it is not necessary to remark, further than to say, that I probably shall leave this on or about the middle of next month April - and to add thereto the satisfaction I feel in the prospect of soon visiting Washington, for the purpose of attending to the Settlement of my accounts.

Quarterly Statements of Agents, as refered to in the letter of the 22nd have been omitted by me, and from the belief that such was not Required The Regulations, - Article 5. of Section 2 - requires such

Reports to be made by the Special Agents - not from Disbursing Agents; and if I have been Specially instructed to make such, hitherto the same has wholly escaped me

Fearing that your Instructions to Lieut. Van Horn, (a copy of which is covered by yours of the 27th) directing him to proceed to take charge of the duties connected with the subsistence of the Creeks, might not reach him for several days - he being at the Cavinole Depot on the Portean, I have written him on the subject, and have directed him to turn over his duties at Cavinole to Lieut. Rains, and to proceed to the Creek Nation, and take charge of the duties there, without delay. I shall remit him funds to pay the commutation claims of those Emigrants that moved under McIntosh last summer, as well as to pay for their subsistence since reaching their new country. I have authorized Lieut. Rains to employ Jno. S. McClellan, as assistant, until such can be dispensed with, Compensation $30 per month.

My communications dated the 6th and 31st of Jany. last. in relation to the accounts of Asst. Agents. Rector and Fulton, and to which you refer in yours of the 29th Jany. doubtless have reached your office by due course, and which, I hope, may be found satisfactory, so far as the same devolved on me.

I have the honor to be,
very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
J. Brown Capt, 4th Art
Com'dg Art Dist Rivers

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

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Emig 243 Choctaw
Capt J. Brown
L. Rock, March
6th 1834

Enclosing Receipt Roll
of payments made to
Choctaws by Lt Harris
to those who remain on
their own resources.

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Rec'd 14 April

Little Rock. A. T.
March 6th 1874.

Sir:

"Herewith I have the honor to transmit. Receipt Roll of Payments made to Choctaws by Lieut. S. J. Rains, who Emigrated to their New Country on their own resources.

I have the honor to be,
Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
J. Brown Capt 4th Art
Dis Agt Ind Terr.

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comr. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

Emig 244 Choctaw

Capt. J Brown

L. Rock, March

5th 1834

Enclosing Contract

for supplying emigrant

Choctaws at Cantonment

from 1st March to 30th Sept.

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Rec'd April

Little Rock. A.T.
March 3rd 1834.

Sir:

I cover herewith contract and Bond entered into for supplying Emigrant Choctaws at Cavinole Depot. from 1st inst. to 30th September next.

Very Respectfully.
I have the honor to be
Your obt. Servt.

J Brown Capt 1st A.

Dr Cr in Act. and Rem.

Genl. Geo. Gibson.
Comy. Genl of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

Emig 243 Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown
L. Rock 10th March
1834

Covering Invoice of Medicine
Chests - asking instructions
as to the Sale of a Forge
Horse Shoes, & Ox Shoes, &
other Articles &c.

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Rec'd 3 April,

Little Rock, A.T.
March 10th 1834.

Sir:

I cover herein the Invoice of two small medicine Chests containing medicines, together with sundry other medicines, all which was left at this place by Agents and Conductors of Indians from time to time, and for which, for a part at least, I gave memorandum receipts at the time they were left: under expectations, however, that the persons leaving them would require them to be forwarded to the east of the Mississippi, to be used in subsequent movements of the Choctaws, but as that Emigration is now over, and deeming it well that they should be disposed of, (except the two Chests which I would ask to be retained for the present,) I would recommend that the property be sold, if it can be without too great a sacrifice of its present value.

In my communication of 9th Sept. last, I made reference to the disposal of sundry articles of Furniture, Axes, Smiths Forge, &c. in relation to which no answer has been received. The Forge with the Tools, is a valuable article, and perhaps would be more valuable to the Government in some other service on the Frontier, say for the Dragoons, than to sell it at a sacrifice, which no doubt would be the case, were it exposed at Public Sale, unreservedly at this place. It has been applied for by an agent of one of the Santa Fee Trading Parties whence, if it is to be sold, I should like to know the cost, so that I may be prepared and avail myself beneficially, both of Private and Public offers. I am

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about 80 Horse Shoes, = these, if the Forge is ordered to the frontier had better, I should think, be sent with it. The ox shoes that were required, and from which much benefit would have been derived, had they reached this in time to have been used, are still on hand. I doubt whether a sale of them could be effected at this place, at least for the present.

I take the liberty of inclosing a letter addressed from your Office to Lieut. Simonton. It has been a long time in my Office, awaiting his arrival at this place.

Very Respectfully,
I have the honor to be
Your obt. Servt.

J. Bowyer Capt, U.S.A.
Acting Asst Ins. Genl

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington D.C.

Emig 265 Choctaw.

Capt. J. Brown
Little Rock Augt 20th 1834

Sends a Receipt Roll of
Lt Stephenson's Payments made to Indians who
Emigrated upon their
own Resources

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Rec'd Sept 9

Little Rock. A.T.
August 30th 1834.

Sir:

Herewith is covered Receipt Roll of Lieut. Stephenson. Dis. Agt. Choctaws. Red River District. for payments made to Choctaws who have emigrated to their new Country on their own resources. The exhibit appears correct. The 15 2/10 cents. against No. 1. and 7 2/10 cts. against No. 218. left unextended. Doubtless was done for the convenience of change. or rather it being the exact sum paid.

Very Respectfully.
I have the Honor to be.

Your Obt. Servt.

J. Brown Capt. U.S.A.
Dr Dist Agt Choc Rem.

Gen. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

Emig 2. 607 Choctaws [Letter.]

Capt. S. Burbank
L. Rock, Dec. 9th 1834

Encloses abstracts of pay of
Choctaws — Contracts will be
sent — The average price
is 6 7/8 cents per ration —

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Rec'd 17 Sept.

Little Rock. A. T.
August 26. 1834.

Sir:

Herewith is covered Abstract of Bids received for supplying the Choctaws with Rations at the several Issuing Depots in their New Country up to the 30th of April. 1835. the balance of the period for which subsistence is to be furnished those Indians.

Two of the lowest bids for two of the Depots, were rejected as being high. Contracts, however, were taken at the price fixed by myself to pay on the part of Government, making a small saving of a thousand Dollars, or so.

Triplicate Contracts, with bonds, will be forwarded, so soon as perfected and returned to this Office.

The average price under these contracts, is six cents seven mills per Ration.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
J Brown Capt. U.S.A.
Dy. A. & Insp. 2nd Rend.

Gen. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Gen. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

Ens. 268 (Gaston) Choctaws

Capt J. Brown
Little Rock Sept. 1. 1834

Sends Monthly Report
of disbursements on acct.
Subsistence &c of Choctaws
& also Cherokees in Aug.
and also those of July.
which had been omitted

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Rec'd 12th Sept

Little Rock. A. T.
Sept. 1st 1834

Sir:

Herewith I have the honor to transmit Monthly Reports of Disbursements made on account of Subsistence, Transportation and Contingencies for Choctaws; also, Disbursements on account of Subsistence, Transportation and Contingencies, for the Cherokees, during the Month of August, and an Abstract of Disbursements made in July, which was omitted for that month.

I shall leave this to-morrow for the Western Territory, for the purpose of paying Annuities. Shall be here again on or about the first of next month.

Very Respectfully.
Your Obt. Servt.

J. Brown Capt. U.S.A.
Pro. Asst. Gnl Recr

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington D. C.

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Contingencies of by Capt. J. Brown. U. S. A. Fr. Dis. Agt. Ind. Rem.

Dates	To whom paid	For what paid	Amount Dollars	Cts	Remarks. &c. which may become necessary the present.
1834. Aug. 11.	Capt. J. Brown.	Transportation	224	70	Of Bagg.
" " 13.	Wh. Rector.	Ditto.	48	00	of Baggage
" " 19.	J. H. Reed.	Services.	240	00	as clerk in
" " 29.	Will. E. Woodruff.	Hauling. &c.		75	Smiths fo
" " "	Will. E. Woodruff.	Hauling. &c.	5	50	Choctaw.
" " 31.	Wh. Rector.	Services.	476	00	as Asst.
		Total.	$ 994	95	

I certify that the above Abstract is just and true.

Little Rock. A. T.
August 31. 1834.

encies of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of August. 1834

	Remarks. Shewing whether the payments will continue - how long. the necessity for their continuance, what addition may become necessary or reduction will be made. distinguishing better between payments for the consumption or use of the present month and succeeding months. &c.	
	Of Baggage from Little Rock to Washington. and from thence back to Little Rock. - a/c closed	
	of Baggage from Little Rock to Fort Towson, and from thence back to Little Rock. - a/c closed	
	as clerk in the Office of the Pay. Dis Agent - continued.	
	Smiths forge. to Steam Boat Landing. - a/c closed,	
	Choctaw Annuity Iron - a/c closed	
	as Asst. Agt. Ind. Affrs. - continued.	

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and time according to the vouchers in my possession.

J Brown Capt 6th Inf.
& Dis Agt Ind Affrs

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Subsistence of t
by Capt. J. Brown. U. S. A. Pr. Dis. Agt. Ind. Remo

Dates	To whom paid	For what paid	Amount Dollars	Amount Cts	Remarks. Shou may become nec use of the provid
1834 Aug. 5.	Lewis L. Rafeld.	Subsistence	814	45	Issued by Ca
" " "	Lewis L. Rafeld.	Ditto.	119	04	" by
" " 23	Lewis L. Rafeld.	Ditto	245	21	" by
" " 25.	J. Bryzard & J. Clark.	Ditto	2,518	82½	" by
" " 26	Geo. W. Harkins.	Ditto.	139	17½	" by
" " "	Lewis L. Rafeld	Ditto.	171	36	" by
		Total.	$4.008	06	

I certify that the above Abstract is just and true.

Little Rock. A. T.
August 31. 1834.

ence of the Choctaw Indians for the month of August. 1854.

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Remarks - Shewing whether the payments will continue - how long - the necessity for their continuance, what additions may become necessary or reductions will be made: distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month and succeeding months. &c.

Issued by Lieut. G. J. Rains. Dis. Agt. - at Choc. Agency - continued.
" by " " " " - at Pheasant Bluff - continued.
" by " " " " - at Choc. Agency - continued.
" by Lieut J. R. Stephenson. Dis Agt. - at Old Miller C.H. - continued.
" by " " " " " = at " " " - closed.
" by Lieut. G. J. Rains. Dis. Agt - at Pheasant Bluff - continued

and time, according to the vouchers in my possession.

J Brown Capt 1st Lt
Dr Eighth Inft Pmr

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Transportation of
1834. by Capt. J. Brown. M. S. A. Pr. Dis. Agt. Ind. Affrs.

Dates	To whom paid	For what paid	Amount Dollars	Cts	Remarks, & what addl consumpt
1834. Aug. 29.	Cyphas Smith.	Ferriages	107	00	as per account
		Total.	$ 107	00	

I certify that the above Abstract is just and true

Little Rock. A. T.
August 31. 1834.

r. tation of the Choctaw Indians for the month of August.

1	Remarks. Shewing whether the payments will continue, how long. the necessity for their continuance what addition may become necessary or reduction will be made. distinguishing between payments for the	
Pg	consumption or use of the present month and succeeding months &c.	

To across the Mississippi River. from Bachelors Bend. Washington Co. Miss.
account closed.

To

and true, according to the vouchers in my possession

J J Brown Capt 1st
Dr Disg Agt Choc Rens

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Contingencies
1834. by Capt J. Brown. U. S. A. Principal Disbursing A.

Dates.	To whom Paid.	For what Paid.	Amount. Dollars.	Cents.	Remarks. Shew for their contin made a distin -ent month, a
1834. Aug.	12.	Dr. Jas. Bird.	Services	220	00	As Physician, a
"	" 16.	L. M. Rutherford.	Services.	15	00	Engaged hi
"	" 18.	Barnett Williams.	Hauling.	4	37½	Port. &c. from
"	" 19.	N. H. Badgett.	Labor.	2	50	in Ware House
"	" 20.	Hardy Jones.	Hauling	2	00	Pork from N
"	" 26.	A. C. Byrd.	Storage	13	31¼	of Pork and C
"	" "	N. Menefee. M. D.	Services.	35	50	as Physician as
			Total.	$292	68¼	

I certify that the above Abstract is just and true, a

Little Rock. A. T.
August 31. 1834.

ingencies of Cherokee Indians, for the month of August.
ersing Agent Indian Removal.

Remarks.- Shewing whether the payments will continue - how long - the necessity for their continuance - what addition may become necessary, or reduction will be made - distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and the succeeding months, &c.

Ass Physician, attending a party of Cherokees under cond^t of H. Harris.- a/c closed.

Engaged hiring teams - a/c closed.

Pork, &c. from S. Boat Landing to Ware House in town - a/c closed.

in Ware House, storing Pork, &c. - a/c closed.

Pork from mouth Cadron Creek to Little Rock - a/c closed.

of Pork and Salt left in storage by H. Harris - a/c closed.

as Physician attending a party of Cherokees under cond^t of H. Harris.- a/c closed.

d true, according to the vouchers in my possession.

J Brown Capt R.A.F.
Dis Agt Indn Affrs,

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Subsistence of Co
Capt. J. Brown. U. S. A. Principal Disbursing Agent Indian

Dates.	To whom Paid.	For what Paid	Amount. Dollars.	Cents.	Remarks.—Showin continuance—w tinguishing bet succeeding mon
1834. Aug. 23.	Kirkbride Potts.	Bacon.	52	85-	Issued to the
		Total.	$ 52	85-	

I certify that the above Abstract is just and true. a

Little Rock. A.T.
August 31. 1834.

ce of Cherokee Indians. for the month of August. 1834. by
t Indian Removal.

arks.- Shewing whether the payments will continue how long - the necessity for the
tinuance - what additions may become necessary. or reductions will be made - dis-
guishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and
eeding months. &c.

ued to Cherokee Indians ~~and Emmerators~~. by Lt Harris - o/s closed.

id true. according to the vouchers in my possession.

J Brown Capt U.S.A.
D Dis Agt Cher Removal

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Transports 1834. by Capt J. Brown. U. S. A. Principal Disbursing Agen

Dates.	To whom Paid.	For what Paid.	Amount. Dollars.	Cents.	Remarks- Shewing- time and cause- of- distinguishing- bills incurred
1834. Aug. 16.	Spencer G. Heard.	Team Hire.	141	20	Engaged in
" " "	Samson Gray.	Team Hire.	366	00	do. in
" " 18.	N. H. Badgett.	Team Hire.	121	90	do. in
" " "	Caleb Lindsey.	Team Hire.	141	45	do. in
" " 20.	Hardy Jones.	Team Hire.	121	20	do. in
" " "	Jared G. Martin.	Team Hire.	132	65-	do. in
" " 21.	William Ellis.	Ferriages.	31	00	across Point.
" " 23.	Washington Smith.	Team Hire.	130	30	Engaged in
" " "	Kirkbride Potts.	Corn.	37	50	Forage for Te.
		Total.	$1.223	20	

I certify that the above Abstract is just and true.

Little Rock. A. T.
August 31. 1834.

Transportation of Cherokee Indians for the month of August.
Disbursing Agent Indian Removal.

Marks- Shewing whether the payments will continue - how long - the necessity for their continuance - what additions may be come necessary, or reduction will be made - distinguishing between payments for the confumption or use of the present month. & succeeding months, &c.

Engaged in Remt. of Cherokees. 1834. - a/c closed.						
do.	in	do.	of	do.	"	= a/c closed.
do.	in	do.	of	do.	"	= a/c closed.
do.	in	do.	of	do.	"	= a/c closed.
do.	in	do.	of	do.	"	= a/c closed.
do.	in	do.	of	do.	"	= a/c closed
Crop Point Removal Creek. - a/c closed.						
Engaged in Remt. of Cherokees. 1834 - a/c closed.						
Wagon for Teams Engd in Cherokee Removal. 1834. - a/c closed.						

and true, according to the vouchers in my possession.

J. Bunn Capt 4th
Dis Agt Indian Affairs

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Contingencies
by Capt J. Brown. M. S. A. Pr. Dis. Agt Ind. Rem.

Dates	To whom paid	For what paid	Amount Dollars	Amount Cts	Remarks shewing the con
1834. July 1.	Will. Jones. P. M.	Postage	6	06¼	Con
		Total.	$ 6	06¼	

I certify that the above Abstract is just and true. &c.

Little Rock. A. T.
July 31. 1834.

gencies of the Choctaw Indians. for the Month of July. 1834.

No	Remarks. Shewing whether the payments will continue - how long. the necessity for their continuance what addition may become necessary or reduction will be made. distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month and succeeding months &c.
06½	On Letters, on Public Account. = account closed.
06½	

true. according to the vouchers in my possession.

J Bruce Capt. U.S.A.
Br Dig Agt. Choctaw Nation

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Tenn 269. (Letter.) Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown
Choct. Agency, 1-13 Sept. 34

He sends, Pay and Recapt. Roll, an. pay-ment of Commutations to Choctaws, placed in his hands by A. Ramsey. They seem to be correct.

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Rec'd 27 Oct

Choctaw Agency West.
Sept. 13th 1834.

Sir:

I cover herewith two Pay and Re=
=ceipt Rolls and one account. payments for Com=
=mutation Allowances to Choctaws who Emigrated
on their own resources. placed in my hands by
Lieut. G. J. Rains. the same appear to be correct.

Very Respectfully.
I have the honor to be.
Your Obt. Servt.

/ Brown Capt 4th
Dep Adjt Gen Rmd

Gen. Geo. Gibson.
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

(Letter.)

Ensign 272 Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown
L. Rock. 12th Oct 1834

Ack sends 7 Contracts for furnishing Rations to Choctaws.

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Rec'd 4 Nov

Little Rock. A. T.
Octr. 12th 1834.

Sir:

Herewith you will receive seven contracts with Bonds, recently entered into for furnishing Rations of Subsistence to Choctaws up to the 1st of May. 1835.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
J. Brown Capt. 1st U.S.
Dr. Dis Agt Choctaw Emt.

Genl. Geo. Gibson.
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

Ency 279. Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown
Little Rock 25 Oct 34

Sends Acct. Current of expenditures on acct purchase of Cattle.

The balance of the money in the hands of Lt. Stephenson applicable to this subject will be turned over to Capt. B.

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162. Nov 19

Little Rock. A. T.
Octr. 25th 1854.

Sir:

Herewith is covered Account Current with Abstract and vouchers of Expenditures made on account of appropriation applicable to the purchase of Cattle for the Choctaws. for the 3d qr. of current year.

The balance of money in the hands of Lieut. Stephenson, applicable to the above object, will be turned over to me. by which means the sum here advanced. will be re-funded.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
J. Brown Capt, U.S.A.
Com'y Sub & Purch.

Genl. Geo. Gibson
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Contingencies of Ia by Capt. J. Brown. U.S.A. Pr. Dig. Agent Indian Removal.

Dates.	To whom Paid.	For what Paid.	Amount. Dollars.	Cts.	Remarks - Term of Remittance - what between payments.
1834. Octr. 4th	J. Mc. Millard.	Services. &c.	395	62½	& Asst. Agent
" " "	Thomas Erwin.	Services.	88	00	& Asst. Agent
		Total.	$ 483	62½	

I certify that the above Abstract is just and true, according to [illegible] Contingencies.

Little Rock. A.T.
Octr. 31st. 1834.

ies of the Removal of Indians, for the month of October, 1834.

&c.

ing - shewing whether the payments will continue - how long - the necessity for their con. nce - what addition may become necessary or reduction will be made - distinguishing payments for the consumption and use of the present month, and succeeding months. &c.

t. Agent Indian Removal - Continued.

t. Agent Indian Removal - Continued.

relating to the vouchers in my possession.

J Brown Capt 1st R.

Dr Dis Agt Ind Affs

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Letter

Emig 280 Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown
L. Rock, Oct 25th 1834

Encloses Acct. Current &c
for 3 qrs & a statement
of expenses not incurred
in Emig &c

Has not been able to obtain
from Mr. French a bill
of the 40.670 Rations
purchased to meet the
failure of O.V. Howell

When obtained it shall
be forwarded

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Rec'd. Nov 19

Little Rock. A. T.
Octr. 25th 1834.

Sir:

Herewith is enclosed account current. with Abstracts and vouchers of Expenditures made on account of the Remd. and Subsistence of the Choctaw Indians. in the quarter ending the 30th of Septr. last. also is enclosed herewith Returns of Subsistence and Property. with Abstracts. &c. for the above quarter; and a statement of Expenditures "not incurred in the Remd. and Subsistence of Indians."

I have not been able to obtain from Mr. French. a bill for the 40.670 Rations or 95-5 21/32 Bushels of corn furnished by him to meet a partial failure in the delivery of that article by C. W. Howell. as found on voucher No. 4. Abst. of Subs. for the 1st qr. of present year. The delay in not obtaining the bill as required. is owing to the absence of Mr. French from the Territory. Application has been made for it. and when obtained. shall be forwarded without delay.

Very Respectfully.
I have the honor to be.
Your Obt Servt.
J Brown Capt 1 A.I.
Dy Asst Adjt Genl Rem.

Genl. Geo. Gibson.
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

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Copy.

Abstract of Proposals or Bids received by Lt. S. W. Moore 7th Inf. for furnishing Emigrating Indians, &c. a the "North Fork of the Canadian."

No.	No. of Bids.	Names of Bidders.	Depot "Griggs" Indian Rations	Depot "Griggs" Teamster Rations	Depot "Griggs" Corn per Bushel	Depot McClellan, &c" Indian Rations	Depot McClellan, &c" Teamster Rations	Depot McClellan, &c" Corn per Bushel	Average of "Griggs" Depot	Average of
1	1	Hugh Knox,	4¢.9m.	3¢.	62½¢.				31 9m.	
2	2	Clark & Litsworth.	5¢.	3¢.	74¢.					
3	3	Gibson & Jones.	5¾¢.	3½¢.	$1.	8¢.	3½¢.	$1.	46	
4	4	John S. McClellan.				6¢.9m.	3½¢	$1.25		

I certify on honor, that this is a correct Abstract of all the Bids &

rec'd 7th Inf. Dis. Agt for the Choctaws, on the 5th November, 1834.
ens, &c. at "Griggs" and "McClellans" the "Sans Boire" and

Average of Bids		
"Griggs" Depot.	"McClellans" &c. Depot.	Remarks
31 [illegible] 1000.		Received & Has entered into Bonds.
46 [illegible].	49 ℔.	Received for No. 11. & Has entered into Bonds.
	57 ℔. 1mo.	

Damages against Stage Proprietors.—In a suit tried in Baltimore County Court, at the present term *Haron* vs *Stockton & Stokes*, to recover damages alleged to have been sustained by the Plaintiff by upsetting on the road between Wheeling and Baltimore of a Stage belonging to the Defendants, in which were the Plaintiff, his wife and two of his children—and four other individuals—his arm having been broken, and the head of his child materially injured. The evidence proved that the driver was intoxicated, and that he not only drove fast, but *furiously*, notwithstanding the remonstrances of the passengers.—The jury returned a verdict of seven hundred and fifty dollars damages. It is due to the proprietors of the stage to state, that, immediately after this misconduct, the driver was discharged.

Vapor Baths.—A medicated vapor or steam bath has been thus described:—"A boiler having a valve at the top, and a pipe to lead off the steam, is placed on a common fire or stove; this pipe enters to the bottom of a sort of sentry box, the bath, just under a perforated vessel containing medical herbs, and carries up their fragrance and virtues, to effect which, however, the steam must be hotter than usual, by being retained in a heated vessel somewhere before it is suffered to pass into the pipe; the patient disrobes him or herself and sits in the box, which is enveloped in curtains to retain the steam, from 10 to 20 minutes. The medicated baths have all the advantages of the ordinary bath, together with the real or supposed advantages of the virtues of the herbs passed through the pores of the skin, or drawn into the lungs with the air."

The plan is very simple; and if it is found useful, can easily be introduced into families.

A gentleman of this county received a letter a few days ago, from a friend in the Cherokee country, which states that a Cherokee of the name of John Walker, had been shot, by some other Cherokees, for his opinion in favor of emigration. The wound of Walker was dangerous, but perhaps not mortal. It had been reported also, that Alexander Ross and another Cherokee, disposed to treat finally with the government for emigration, had been kil-

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'e Bids handed to me, and examined at mine, on the 5th Nov. 1834.

(signed) S. W. Moore
1st Lt. 7th Inf.
Dis. Agt.

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Statement of Expenditures not incured in the Removal an.
30th September. 1834.

Date.	On what account.	To whom Paid.	Dolls.	Cts.	
1834.					
Sept. 30.	Hauling & Weighing Iron	Will. E. Woodruff.	5	50	Expenses incured Abstract of Conts
		Total.	$ 5	50	

Little Rock. A. T.
Septr. 30th 1834.

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Enrd 291. Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown
L Rock, Nov. 30th 1834

Enclosing an acct of
Joel Wafer against
U. S. Late for $318.67 for
for subsisting and transporting Choctaws in
1831-2

He thinks there is not just
ground of claim

See letter in relation to the claim enclosed
written to the Secy of War in reply to one referred
by him for Mr R. Garland. Jany 26th 1835.

The Claim & papers
Rec'd 23. Dec.

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Rec'd 23 Dec

Little Rock. A.T.
Nov. 30th 1834

Sir:

Herewith is carried an account prefered against the U. States of $318.00 by Mr. Joel Wafer for subsisting and Hauling Choctaw Indians in 1831-2.

As the Emigrants refered to, were of the Ecor. Fabra Party, I have refered to the documents in my possesion in relation to those claims, and cannot find any reference to such a party of Choctaws, traveling by themselves, under the direction of, or connected with the Agents of that movement. The claim appears to be based upon an act of charity, at least it is not pretended that the furnishing and services were made and rendered by direction of any one, hence I cannot see that the man has any claim on Government. I, however, submit the same, agreeably to request, and desire the decision of the Department in the case.

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.

J. Brown Capt 4th
Dep Asst Ind Affrs

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

Letter.

Ens 293 ~~Chocktaw~~

Capt. J. Brown
Little Rock Dec. 6. 1834

Sends a communication from W. Armstrong relative to a claim for subsistence furnished Long & Choctaws in Feb. 1833, under direction of G. B Lincecum asst. conductor. He also sends Lt Enist- Lincecum is now dead. Thinks the acct is just, asks instructions on it.

Rec'd Dec 30th

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Rec. 31 Dec

Little Rock. A. T.
Decr. 6th 1834.

Sir:

Herewith is a communication from S. W. Armstrong, Ind. Agent, in relation to a claim for subsistence furnished a small party of Emi=grating Choctaws, in February, 1833, under the directions of G. B. Lincecum, Asst. Conductor of Indians.

The claim is founded on Lincecum's Receipt to A.G. Pope, which receipt is herewith. the same had once before been refered to me, but its informality prevented the settlement of it. A few months subsequent to this, and before the claim was put in due form, Lin=cecum died, consequently there is no one now, that can vouch the claim in form required by Regulations. I therefore deem it proper to submit it to you, and ask in=structions in relation to settling the same. I do not doubt the justness of the claim, have therefore stated it, and in manner necessary should the same be admitted and ordered to be paid. Two accounts are necessary, as the purchase and issues refers to separate Abstracts.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.

J. Brown Capt. U.S.A.
Dy Asst Com Subs

Genl. Geo Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

Commissary Gen'l of Subs. LR 1834 G—P Choctaw

[G 45]

Emig 45 Choctaw

Geo. S. Gaines
Mobile 26th May 1831

Sends a claim of Davis Tows which he explains and requests may be paid

RECD

Genl. Geo. Gibson
Commy. Genl. of Subsistence
Washington City

Mobile ala
26th May 1834

Rec'd
10th June

Dear Sir

Mr. David Williams of Rankin Co. Mississippi, delivered at the house of Yoka abba late Chactaw Nation in the month of October 1831 some Corn, by contract with Dr. J. B. Earle apt agent for the removal of Indians, which Corn was used by the Emigrating Indians of Dr. Earles detachment during the said Month of October & November 1831, while on their March for Vicksburg - I was present when Mr Williams presented his act to Dr Earle at Vicksburg for settlement; and the Doctor supposing that the full quantity of Corn had not been delivered required of Mr. Williams the testimony of the person who measured

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it before paying for it. This testimony was to be lodged at Clinton Mi through which town the Doctor & myself intended to pass on our way home; but having about the time been attacked with Influenza I was compelled to return home by Water via New Orleans & bring the Doctor with me, which prevented the reception of the testimony required, & the payment of the bill for one Hundred & forty dollars until this day Claimed of me by W. Williams.

I beg to refer the subject to you & recommend the allowance of his claim as W. Williams has been long and favorably known to me, and I shall feel happy

This to receive your order of payment

Respectfully

Your obed. Servt

Genl. Gaines

late Supt. Removing

Ind.

Genl. Geo. Gibson

Commy Genl

Subsistence

Encl 46. Choctaw

Gen S. Gaines
Mobile 31st May 1834
Sends a receipt of Messrs
Everett & Sommerville for the
money paid them -
Urges the speedy settlement
of his acct - both because
a balance will be due him &
from a painful sense of
injustice done him in the
manner of his suspension
from Office

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Rec'd June 15

Mobile, Alabama
31st May 1834.

Dear Sir

Messrs Everitt & Summerville have called upon me for allowances made them by you on their accounts filed in your office, which I have paid, and transmit their receipts herewith for the same.

I am particularly desirous that my late agency transactions under your instructions, be finally closed as early as practicable, and I beg the favor of you to urge the despatch through the other offices.

There will be a balance due me on a fair settlement of all my public accounts, which I should like to receive, but I have still a stronger reason for desiring their final close, in the extraordinary manner in which I was superseded, having the effect of entirely relieving me from my connection [illegible] so little deserved.

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that I cannot, divest my mind, when the transactions occupy it, of a sense of injustice done me by the government which I would gladly forget.

I remain Dear Sir
with much respect & esteem
Your obed[t] Serv[t]
Geo[d] Gaines

Gen[l] Geo: Gibson.
Commissary of Subsistence

Pmg 49. Choctaw

Gro S. Gaines
Mobile, 5th Nov. 1834

Has rec'd letters of
19th July & 3d Oct with
their enclosures -

He will endeavours
to see Dr Earle and
obtain a certificate
of the facts relative to
Williams's claim
or cert

In the case of the purchase
of corn he by his orders
to hasten the departure
of Emigrants he felt
himself fully authorized

Envg 69. Pontotoc

Lt. S. W. Moore

March 4th 1834

Fort Gibson

Explaining a former
letter asking to be appointed
Ass. Dy Asst

Rec. 12 April

Fort Gibson
1st March 1834.

Sir,

When I applied for the appointment of disbursing officer to the Creeks in the vicinity of this post, I understood from Lieut Washbourne, that he considered himself only temporarily on duty here; that he intended soon after, to proceed to Little Rock, to do duty to Capt Brown for duty among the Chickasaws. Within a week after my application was transmitted he accordingly left this post and now has charge of the Cavagnole depot of that tribe. Lieut Noble seems to have dreaded of applying for a situation already filled by a brother officer, and was an applicant, in my opinion, and in his, for a vacant situation. I have addressed you now, to amend from your mind the impression, which I apprehend it has received, that I had the vanity to suppose I had any claims which would indeed go to displace an officer from the situation he is filling.

I have the honor to be Sir
Your Mt. Obt. St.
S H Woods
2nd Lieut 7 Inf

To
Gen. Geo. Gibson
Commissary General

Encl'g 78

T. W. Moore

Fort Gibson [illegible] 1834

Has rec'd letter of appointment as Asst. Surg. of Indians

Fort Gibson
July 23

On [illegible]

Sir

I

Gen. Geo. Gibson

Com. Gen. Subsistence

Washington

Rec'd 28 Aug 1

Fort Gibson
23rd July 1834.

Sir,

I have this day had the honor to receive your letter appointing me a Disbursing Agent in the Removal & Subsistence of Indians, with a copy of the Regulations concerning the Removal of the Indians.

Although an applicant for a particular appointment & location I do not hesitate to accept the present appointment; and request that you will receive my acknowledgements for the appointment. I have, as required, referred to Captain Brown, by letter.

I am Sir, very respectfully,
Your Mo Obt Svt
S H Mook
Lieut 7th Inf

2
Genl Geo. Gibson
Com. Gen. Subsistence

Emig 85 Choctaw

Lt S. W. Moore
Choctaw Agency 10th Sept
1834.
He has called on Mr
Baker in relation to
the Articles intended
for the Quapaws, was
informed that Mr Baker
was waiting for Iron
to make Looms & Wheels
for Choctaws.
Mr B. Suggested a new
model &
Lt Moore has deter-
mined to suspend
all action in the business
till instructed &c

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Rec'd 13 Oct

Choctaw Agency
10th Sept 1824.

Sir.

In compliance with the instructions contained in your letter of July 12th. I called upon Mr Baker to contract for the articles intended for the Quapaws. He informed me, that in consequence of the want of iron he was unable to proceed his work for the Chocktaws, and that it was impossible for him to make either bows, and that it was impossible for him to make either the looms or wheels, until the arrival of this iron, which was at the mouth of Red river, and would remain there, until a rise of the Arkansas. He stated, that if allowed to construct the looms upon a plan or model of this iron, he would be able to undertake the work, and believed that his model was much the preferred, being more simple, easier of execution, repair, &c.

Conceiving that your instructions left me no discretion on that point, I awaited the arrival of Capt Brown, who advised me to consult the Agent Mr Armstrong said, that the completion and delivery of the articles before next spring, was unnecessary; as the Quapaws had their looms to erect, and if they were

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com delivered, would be required by enfranchised tribes annuities
and that he thought the Department should be consulted
before changing the model. He considered that Mr Parker
would be able to furnish them according to your instruc-
tions, in time for the Chiefs to receive any expected
advantage from this act. I have therefore suspended
all action upon the subject, until your decision shall
be known.

I have the honor to be Sir,
Your Mo Ob't Sv't

S. H. Woods
Supt. & Dis. Agent.

Envy- 86. Choctaw.
Lett.

Lt. S. W. Moore
Choctaw Agency
Sep.r 30.th 1834

Transmits his property
Return for 3.d Q.r 1834
He has sold most of
the articles Rec.d from
Lt. Rains - the remainder
Capt. Brown has directed
should not be sold.

Rec'd 3 Nov.

Choctaw Agency
30th Sept 1834

Sir,

I transmit herewith my property return for the 3rd quarter of this year. In compliance with instructions received from Capt. Brown Pr. Dis. Agent, an extract of which is annexed, a sale of part of the articles, received of Lieut Reino, was made under my superintendence. Subsequently, Capt B. directed the articles retained, not to be sold.

I have the honor to be Sir,
Your Mt Ob Sv
S H Moore
1st Lieut 7th Inf
Dis. Agt. Choctaws.

Extract of a letter from Capt J Brown Pr. Dis. Agt. to Lieut S H Moore Dis. Agt.: dated 16th Sept 1834.

"You will sell at public Auction, at such time and place as shall be deemed best for the public interest, all the articles of property turned over to you and belonging to the removal and subsistence of the Choctaws. The proceeds of which you will credit on your account Current for that Service."

Emig
Ft.

87 Choctaw

S. W. Moore
Choct. Agency 30th Sept 36
Explaining his liability
in expenditure of the
money placed in his
hands by Capt Brown
to pay Choctaw Annuity

(Copy of this letter referred to Com. Ind. Affs. E)

Rec'd 3 Nov.

Choctaw Agency
30th Sept. 1834.

Sir,

Capt. J. Brown P. Dis. Agent has deposited with me, $19.571.67/100 for the payment of Choctaw Annuities, Current Expenses of Agency &c, for which he required my receipts; acknowledging my liability to him, or to the Treasury of the United States. As he has required me in making my disbursements, to take all the receipts in his name, and to transmit my Returns &c to him at Little Rock; and as I believe that in the event of his death, my receipts to him would be sent to the U. S. Treasury; and the vouchers for expenditures taken in his name, would not probably be considered as expenditures made by me, I have thought proper to address you on the subject; in order, that should any accident happen to Capt. B., the department may be apprised of the circumstances under which I am to make the disbursements of this fund. As I am only the Agent of Capt. B. who is properly accountable for this money, and is (I believe) required to make the disbursements; I think that my receipts should not have been demanded, or that if required, the expenditures should be made in my name, and my accountability be with the Treasury.

I have the honor to be, &c.
Your Mt. Ob. Sv.
S. Worcester
Ch. Dis. Agt.

Emig 90 Choctaw

Letter

Lt. J. W. Moore

Choct. Agency 15th Oct 1834

Transmits Return of Subsistence for Sept. - has been directed by Capt Brown to sell them, but he has not been able to visit Fort Smith to sell those there.

He has made some payments for Agency contingencies.

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Rec'd 11 Nov.

Choctaw Agency
15th October 1846

Sir

I transmit herewith a return of Subsistence Stores for the month of September of this year. I received instructions from Capt. J Brown to sell all these stores at auction, but have been unable to go to Fort Smith to sell those there, from every moment of my time having been occupied in issuing to the Emigrants, at this Depot at the Caddo, and at Pheasant Bluff, and in preparing duplicates, and triplicates, of the Rolls of Heads of Families in this District, from those left me by him, (in all thirty two large sheets) in order to pay the annuities upon them. The payments to Heads of Families, and the Light Horse, I have just made; and have also been engaged issuing tickets to those, who having received no benefits under the Treaty, are entitled to a proportion of the $10.000 reserved for them. Some payments for Agency Contingencies, I have likewise made; and perhaps, may be able towards the last of the month, to visit Fort Smith, & dispose of the Stores there.

I have the honr. to be Sir.

Yr Mt Ob Svt

S. Moore
1st Lieut 7th Inf
Dis. Agt.

To
Gen Geo. Gibson
Emigration of Indians.

~~Army~~ Approved

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Lucas.

Lt. S. W. Moore

Choct: Agency Oct 15th 1834

Transmits his quarterly

Return of Funds on

account of the Subsistence

Dept. for 3d Qr. 1834

Recd 11 Nov.

Choctaw Agency
15th October 1834.

Sir.

I transmit herewith my Quarterly Return of Funds, on account of the Subsistence Department for the third quarter of this year.

I am the honr. Obt Sert.

Geo W Morse

Lt Moore
1st Lieut 7th Inf
Dis. Agt.

Lt. J. A. Phillipps
West Point
May 2d 1834

Asks that Mr. Millard be requested to refund certain money paid him for transportation through mistake

Requests also that they may be reminded of a certificate of a deposit left with him by Lt. Thomas to be forwarded to Lt. Phillipps

Lt. J. A. Phillipps
West Point 2d May 1834

Asks that Mr. Millard be requested to refund certain transportation money paid him by mistake. Reminds the Dept. of a certificate of deposit left with him by Lt. Thomas to be forwarded to Lieut. Phillipps

Corrispondent of the
Commissary Gen. Subs.
Washington
D.C.

[P66 - Choctaw]

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

Rec'd 6 May

West Point, May 2nd 1834

Sir-

In paying off some of the late Agents of the Choctaw Emigration, I committed an error in allowing them pay for transportation from their place of residence to the Agency - and the object of this letter is to request that, if Mr. Hibbard has not been paid his entire services as late Agent, that You will request him to return to me the amount of his transportation from Nashville to the Choctaw Agency East, (being $25.). This he may do, by a deposit of the amount in the Bank U. S. in Washington - and inform me of the fact.

Lt. Thomas informed

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a few days since, that he had left with Major Stark a certificate in relation to a deposite of money [illegible] belonging to the Treasury, to be forwarded home;— I take [illegible] to remind the Major of the circumstance.

With great respect
Your Obt. Servt.
St. Phillips

Brigt. Genl.
Geo. Gibson
Comm? Genl. Subs:
Washington.

P. S. I have not heard a word in relation to the settlement of my accounts.— [redacted] anxious to have them closed.
St. P.

Commissary Gen'l of Subs. LR 1834 R Choctaw

Emig 61 Choctaws

Lt. G. I. Rains

Choctaw Agency

Feb. 10. 1834

The Choctaws are in a ready condition - Surplus old pork issued to them - $5237.50 have been paid as Commutation allowances. Payrolls have been sent to Capt Brown

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Rec'd March 22 d

Genl Geo. Gibson
Com.r of Indian Affairs
Washington City

Choctaw Nation near Cho. Agency
February 16th 1834.

D.r Sir! Herewith I have the honor to forward a Quarterly Return, Return of Property and Account Current for 4th quarter 1833, a Register of late Emigrants, and an Abstract of Disbursements for January 1834.

The Choctaw in this vicinity are in a needy condition having, and mostly, to draw provision from Government, and I have written a Report on the subject - requested by Majr T. N. Armstrong, to be referred to the Commissioners of Indian affairs at Fort Gibson, and I am now giving them the surplus Old pork to keep them from starving, or doing worse by stealing - This pork on hand, which you have been pleased to authorize my issuing them, they are now eager to get - and they justly deserve consideration, having lost their crops by the great overflow of the Arkansas river.

No Abstract of Disbursements was forwarded for November as no payments were made therein.

Payments of Commutation to the amount of $6237. 50 have been made by me to Choctaw Emigrants, their claims having been investigated by Majr T. N. Armstrong Cho. Agent and myself & the payments witnessed by him and the Interpreter

The Pay Rolls have been sent to Capt J Brown Disbursing Agent according to your instructions.

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"Books of Muster Rolls" remaining in your, to Prin Dis Agent a Copy of which was sent me of 2nd May 1838 as having been sent to Fort Smith, for payments to be made on, have never reached me, and as I have been informed by Maj.r D.W. Armstrong C.C. he had never received them.

My Pay role specifies 'distance travelled, time of arrival Age Number & names of Heads of families, the amount paid each, the whole amount, figures marks, & remarks which render them "easily com-prehended.

There are payments yet to be made, as some were detained by sickness & from some unknown causes which prevented them coming to receive Pay.

I am Sir
very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
G. W. Davis Lt. 4th Regt
& Disbursing Agent
Ind. Affrs & Pubs.

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Dr. *The* **United States,** *in Account current with* Lieut G. J. Rains C

ending the thirty first *day of* December 1833

DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS.	
4th Quarter 1833	Per Abstract of Disbursements for Subsistence	1814	14½	Qr.
	. . . . Transportation	5284	25	Qr.
	. . . . Contingencies	938	67½	Qr.
	. . . Ch. Agency Debts	1528	85¾	Qr.
	This Amount due the United States	3623	62¼	
		$13189	55	

I Certify that the above

{ Signed Duplicate }

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ins Dis Agt. on account of the removal and subsistence of Indians, for the Quarter

3 **Cr.**

CTS.	Dates.		DOLLARS	CENTS.
½	1st Sept 1833	By Cash due M. L. per Last	941	53
	Nov 19th	" " rec'd of Capt J. Brown Prin. Disbg.	10500	00
½	Dec 5th	" " " " " "	1667	47
¼	Dec 31st	" " " " " "	32	75
¼		" " " per Amount of Sales	48	00
			$13189	55

abve account of monies received and expended by me in the period above stated, is just and true.

S. J. Rains Lt. U. S. A
& Dis. Agent
for Trem & Arbs.

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Abstract of Disbursements

for contingencies in carrying

Agent of the United States for the removal and Subsistence of Indians in

Dates	No. of Voucher	To Whom paid	For what paid	Am't
October 31st 1833	1	John Dillard	200 Bushels of Corn at 40 ℔ Tonnage	$
" "	2	E. C. McClellan	69 ℔ " $2.	
December 1st "	3	Phillips Runyan &	Transportation of M. S. Provisions	
			18100 lbs groß at 50 ℔ ton	
" 4 "	4	A. Pillet Carnaut &	Transporting Arctic Provisions 12 days	
" 14 "	5	R. S. Gibson	Ropes for Carts	
" 26 "	6	Wm Dick	Services as Teamster from 1st July to 14th	
" " "	7	Wm. Gillet	" " " " "	
" 31 "	8	Pickett & Gregg	Men employed in preserving M.S. property	
October " "	9	" "	200 lbs Flour for repairing M. S. Wagons	
December " "	10	" "	Oil, Tallow for "	
" " " "	11	" "	Sugar & Coffee for Teamsters	
" " "	12	William Winlock	Services as Teamster for Dec. 1833	
" " "	13	Anthony Barges	" " " "	
" 5 "	14	Clark & Tilsworth	350 Barrs Coal for Transt at 65 ₵	
October 31 "	15	Wm Winlock	Services as Teamster from 1st July to 20th Aug	
December 1 "	16	David McClellan	For debt incurred	
" 31 "	17	C. C. McClellan	" Fresh Provisions	
				$152

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ices in carrying into effect the Choctaw treaty by Lieut G. D. Ramsey. Disbursing
Indians in the quarter ending the thirty first day of December 1833 by order of
– the Commissioner Gen.l of Indn. Affs. dated Jan.y 31.st 1834

	Amount	Remarks.
to g Boat	$ 81.20	Accounted for in Returns of 2.nd quarter 1833.
$2.	135.50	Per Abstract of Voucher
S. Powder	90.10	From Fort Smith to Agency warehouse, to be car-
& Lead		-ried to Red river.
12 days	16.88	
	1.10	
from 1.st July to 14.th	29.03	Employed in driving to Red river–
" " "	29.03	" " "
ing Mil. property	15.00	At the Agency ware house in the Division of the Choctaw
U. S. Wagons	20.00	Nation in hauling treaty articles to Red river.
" "	1.02½	
ousties	2.00	
for Dec.r 1833	20.00	
" "	20.00	
at 65 ¢	248.95	Voucher, accounted for in Returns of 2.nd & 3.d quarters 1833
31.st July to 20.th Aug	32.90½	
	180.25	
"	3.09	Per Steamboat.
	$1528.85½	

I certify on honor, that the above Abstract is just & true
G. D. Ramsey Lt R. M. R.
& Disbursing Agent
Choc. Nation & Indn

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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS for Contingencies by Lieut G. J. the removal and Subsistence of **Indians**, in the Quarter ending the "thirty first" d.

DATES.	Number of Voucher.	To Whom Paid.	For what Paid.
October 5th 1833	1	Asst Postmaster at Fort Smith	Postage on public letters 3d Quarter 18
" 27 "	2	" " "	" " " 3d "
" 31 "	3	John F Fulton	Services as Issuing Commissary
" " "	4	John McClellan	" " " "
December 1 "	5	Charles McClellan	" " Clerk
October 31 "	6	G. W. Rains	" " Disbursing Agent
" " "	7	J. G. King	Hauling for the Dis. Dept 3d quarter
" " "	8	Pickett & Gregg	Sundries as Stationary &c
December 7 "	9	Samuel Richbourg	For making a Corn Crib
" 31 "	10	Asst Postmaster at Choctaw Agency	" Postage on public letters 4th quarter
" " "	11	Pickett & Gregg	Hinges Screws & nails for Corn Crib
" " "	12	John F Fulton	Services as Issuing Commissary
" " "	13	John McClellan	" " "
" " "	14	George W Rains	" " Clerk
" " "	15	G. W. Rains	" " Disbursing Agent
" " "	16	" " "	Postage on public letters 4th Quarter 1833

Signed Triplicates

'y Lieut G. J. Rains U. S. A. Disbursing Agent of the United States for
thirty first day of December 1833

t Paid.	Amount.	REMARKS.
ters qr 2d Quarter 1833	$ 2 . 75	✓
" 3d " "	2 . 56	✓
ng Commissary	124 . 00	At Pleasant Bluff C.N. for October 1833 at Ft. Jesup
"	50 . 00	" Jesup Depot " " " "
t	18 . 33⅓	✓
Disbursing Agent	61 " 00	✓ Ark. District C.N.
Dept fuel and Vals	35 " 00	✓ on Offrs, the purchase of wh having been omitted was overruled
inary &c	2 . 31¼	✓ for the use of the Dept in this District
on Cribs	27 . 37½	✓ According to order of Capt J Brown Prin. Dis. Agt at Little Rock
his letters 4th quarter 1833	3 . 80½	✓ for furnishing suitable cribs for Contractors.
ill for Corn Cribs	1 . 00	✓ As above ordered /
g Commissary	244 . 00	✓ At Pleasant Bluff C.N. for November & Dec 1833
"	110 . 00	✓ Issuing at Cavinol Depot & extra services for Nov & Dec 1833
"	71 . 00	✓ From 18th Nov to 31st December inclusive
Disbursing Agent	122 . 66⅔	✓ " 1 " 31 " "
Letters 1st Quarter 1833	2 . 87½	✓
	$938 . 67½	

I Certify on Honor, that the above Abstract is just and true,
G. J. Rains Lt. & Dis. Agt. Fort Jesup & Ark.

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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *on Account of Subsistence by &c.*

the removal and Subsistence of **Indians,** *in the Quarter ending the* Thirty-first

DATE.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	PORK. Barrels.	PORK. lbs.	BEEVES. Number & estimated Wgt.	Slaughtered Beef Pounds.	FLOUR. Barrels.	FLOUR. lbs.	Corn Meal. Pounds.
Oct. 6th 1835	1	Roland & Scott							
" 31 "	2	Pickett & Gregg							
" 31 "	3	Anthony Burgess							
" 31 "	4	William Winlock							
Dec. 31 "	5	Pickett & Gregg							
" 31 "	6	William Winlock							
" 31 "	7	Anthony Burgess							
" 15 "	8	T. C. Wilson							
October 8.	9	Jno. J Loop.							
" 31 "	10	Pickett & Gregg							
December.	11	Clark & Titsworth				57992			
" 31.	12	James Loving							
						57992			

Signed Duplicate

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Note.—*When any change is made for which there is no* **Head,** *to wit, for* **Transportation,** *it may be described in the Space for* **Remarks.**

by Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for

2d — first day of December 1838

Corn Meal. Pounds.	CORN. Bushels.	CORN. Quarts.	SALT. Bushels.	SALT. Quarts.	RATIONS. Number.			AMOUNT. Dollars.	AMOUNT. Cents.	
								8	12½	Cloth for Wagon Covers hauling Subs.
								5	50	Iron used in repairing U.S. Wagon
								20	00	Employed in hauling as Teamster
								20	00	" " "
								2	62½	Sugar & Coffee for U.S. Teamsters
								20	00	Services as Teamsters
								20	00	" "
		10	5⅓					22	50	Subs. of Bl. Indians at Phila. Depot
								16	87½	For Hay for U.S. Corps
								2	25	Sugar & Coffee for U.S. Teamsters
								1667	27	Accounted for in Prov. Returns of Ind. 1838
								9	00	Hauling Prov. & Baggage [illegible] Portion sick
		10	5⅓					1814	14½	

I Certify on Honor, that the above Abstract is just and true.

G. J. Rains Lt. R. S. A
& Disbursing Agent
Ind. Dep. & Subs

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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *for Transportation by Le.*

the removal and Subsistence of **Indians,** *in the Quarter ending the Thirty*

DATES.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.
1833			
December 4th	1	B. A. Baker	Services of himself & Wagon as
" 31	2	James Looney	Ferrying over the Potomac
" 29th	3	Choctaw Emigrants.	Commutation
January 15th			

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Lieut. G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for

Thirty first day of December 1833.

AID.	AMOUNT.	REMARKS.
	$ cts	
gon at $4.00	20 . 00	Paid from 16th to 20 November 1833 - for transporting the Judicial
per diem	26 . 75	Choctaw Emigrants of 2d December 1833 -
	5237 . 50	who traveled part of the way or altogether to
		their new Country on their own resources, Voucher 37
		forwarded to Capt J Brown Prin. Dis. Agent
		Fort Little Rock by order of the Com'y General
	$5284. 25	

I Certify on Honor, *that the above Abstract is just and true.*

G. J. Rains Lt. & Dis. Agent

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Dr. *The* **United States,** *in Account current with* Lieut G. J. Rains 2d

ending the thirty first *day of* December 1833

DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS.	Date
	Amount expended			
4th qr. 1833	Per Abstract of Subsistence	1814	14½	Jan 1st
	" " Transportation	5284	25	Dec 19
	" " Contingencies	938	67½	Dec 31
	" " Cl. Agency Debts	1528	85¾	Dec. 6
	This Amount due the United States	3622	62½	
	[illegible]			
	Dollars	13189	55	

Decr 31

I Certify that the above accoun

Paid Dis Agt on account of the removal and subsistence of Indians, for the Quarter

Cr.

TS.	Dates.		DOLLARS	CENTS.
½	Sept. 1833	By Cash rec'd from the U. States as per Ls Statement	941	53
—	Nov 19	" " Rec'd of Capt J Brown Pris Dis Agt	10500	00
½	Dec 3	" " " " "	1667	27
¾	Dec 31	" " " " "	32	75
		" " " per Amount of Sales	48	00
¼				
		Dollars	13189	55
	Dec 31. 1833	By this Amt Cal Brot down	$3622.	62¾

above account of monies received and expended by me in the period above stated, is just and true.

G. J. Pinal
Lt. U. S. A.
& Dis. Agt
Ja. D. Sem. & Sto

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c Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Contingences

January, 1834, by Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Age

Dates	To Whom Paid	For What Paid	Dollars	Cen
1834				
January 15th	Ira Millspaw	For Riding Express	3	0.
31st	John T. Fulton	Services as Assistant Agent	124	0.

Contingences of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of

Nursing Agent for the United States Indian Removal

Dollars	Cents	Remarks
3	00	To Crawford Court House Arkansas Territory & back pub. Exp.
~~124~~	00	Subsistance from 1st Jan'y to 31st Jan'y 1834 at $4. per diem

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(Monthly) Abstract of Disbursements for the Transportatio
(January) 1834 by (Lieut G. J. Raines (Disbursing) Agent;

(Dates	To Whom Paid	For What Paid	Dollars
1834			
January 19th	John Perry	For Ferriage	50
" 21st	William Holloway	" Ferriages	13
" 22d	John James	" Transportation of Baggage	7
			$ 70

I Certify that the above Abstract

Dated February 1st 1834

Transportation of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of
sing) Agent for the United States. Indian Removal.

	Dollars	Cents	Remarks
	50	00	Paid for crossing the Mississippi river
	13	00	
aggage	7	50	From the Old Choctaw Nation to the New country West of Ark. Ter
	$ 70	50	

above Abstract is just and true according to the Vouchers in my Possession

Signed Triplicates

G. J. Rains Lt. R. M. A.
& Dis. Agt
Ind. rem. & Subs.

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MONTHLY ABSTRACT *of Disbursements for the Subsistenc*

January , 1834 , by *Lieut G. J. Raines Disbursg*

DATES.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.	Dollars.
1834			
January 25th	David McClellan	For Eighty five 1/4 bushels of Corn	10 6

I Certify *that the above* Abs

Dated *February* 1st, 1834

stence of the Choctaw Indians for the Month of

busing Agent for the United States in the Removal & Subsistence of Indians

Dollars.	Cents.	REMARKS.—Shewing whether the payments will continue—how long—the necessity for their continuance —what addition may be made—distinguishing between payments for the consumption or use of the present month, and for succeeding months, &c.
10	56¼	@ $1.25 per bushel for the United States Ind. Dept. Voucher.

Abstract *is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.*

Signed Triplicate

G J Rains Lt. U.S.A
& Disb. Agent.

In the Removal and Subsistence of the Indians.

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Lt. G. I. Rains's
Muster Roll
Choctaws

emigrants to Fort Smith District
and Arkansas

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1833

Rec'd 22 March 1834

Choctaws

Agency Depot Roll of Indians who arrived in Arkansas District C. N. under Mr Millard on 3d December 1838 of Musholatubbee's District

No Families	Date of Emigration & remarks referring to individuals	Agency-Depot C.N. Names	Nos & Ages of Indians Males: Under 10 years Old	Males: 10 and under 25	Males: 25 and under 50	Males: Over 50	Females: Under 10 years Old	Females: 10 and under 25	Females: 25 and under 50	Females: Over 50	No of Slaves: Males	No of Slaves: Females	Remarks
	3d Dec 1838	Capt Ko a hoo mah			1								Draws provision at Agency Depot
		Ish te mauh ly							1				
		Push oh chub bee	1										
		Copia chub bee		1									
		Sho a mub bee	1										
		Tu mot ta i ka		1									
		Alexander Pope		1									
		Ish te mah ho ka						1					
		Silo ly					1						
		Hi eah kub bee		1									
		Tun up i a yea		1									
		Haun cha te mah						1					
		Mah heen lo tub bee	1										
		Wacks kah tub bee			1								
		Ish tah me yea ho mah							1				
		Me hah ye mah bee			1								
		Te mah pone te mah						1					
		Ny o te mah					1						
		Ah ho chub bee	1										
		Clah leen tub bee	1										
		Een chah tub bee	1										
		Me hah tai yeah				1							
		Ho te mah							1				
		Lo sa					1						
		Mia ly					1						
		Ho yea hoke ta						1					
		E mah ho bit tub bee			1								
		Hooke ta						1					

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Choctaws who draw provision at Agency Depot

3rd Dec. 1833	E lah yea					1							
	Kam pa lub bee	1											
	Ah ho lah			1									
	She mah							1					
	Mah she mah tub bee		1										
	Allen	1											
	Me he o te mah						1						
	Ma by					1							
	Chah cha					1							
	Sa by						1						
	Ellie	1											
	Coneen lub bee				1								
	She mah hah ka							1					
	Ah ma hah						1						
	Liza					1							
	Son pa chub bee	1											
	Kum pah la too pah					1							
	She te mah						1						
	E me lia chah		1										
	To she yee tub bee	1											
	Cyee ho mah					1							
	Sah po mah					1							
	Pah hoo mah				1								
	Pis sah e a								1				
	Kuck aun tub bee	1											
	E mah no ah				1								
	Ky yo ka							1					
	Ma tub bee		1										
	Aun tub bee	1											
	Me sha mah	1											
	Cyla ha mah					1							
	Tick a pish			1									
	She mai yea							1					
	Ah pa sah tub bee	1											

— Continued —

9th Dec 1833	Hah yea					/							
	A Sum	/											
	Me hah to mah					/							
	Tah mun chub bee			/									
	Hed to tub bee			/									
	Shu hah he mah				/								
	Han mah						/						
	Pis sah mone tub bee			/									
	Ash stone te mah						/						
	E she mo hubbee		/										
	He mah							/					
	Lieuna					/							
	Ha e mah					/							
	Calline					/							
	Haun hi o								/				
	Ne meen to ho mah						/						
	E cone nu		/										
	Wun meen tub bee	/											
	Pis sah ja					/							
	Mat te ah					/							
	A a meen tub bee	/											
	To ho lo cha			/									
	Tā sah he yee							/					
	Hal la ho mah					/							
	Mah he te mah					/							
	A a nah tub bee	/											
	E sha tub bee	/											
	Hoke ta								/				
	He yea ha						/						
	George	/											
	Pis sah tub bee			/									
	Hah te mah					/							
	Tock ah ho la tub bee		/										

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Continued

3rd Dec. 1833	Alan tut bee			1										
	Mah lo ka							1						
	Pis sah ho pah bee	1												
	Ho pia								1					
	Ipsa Cooper							1						
	Judy						1							
	William Cooper		1											
	Tennessee Cooper					1								
	Rhoda Cooper					1								
	Silva Cooper					1								
	Joe Cooper	1												
1st Feb 1834	John child of Shemaingus	1												Bound to Shemaingus
	Eliza . . Shemaingus					1								"
3rd Dec 1833	He se mahiff and his wife							1						"
	Keen se ah						1							

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Ah pa sah tut bee

Agency Depot. Roll of Indians who arrived in Arkansas

District C.N. under Mor Millard 18th Dec. 1838 who draw provisions at Carrimola Depot

Date of commencement in drawing Rations inclusive	Names	Nos & Ages of Indians — Males: Under 11 years Old	Males: of 10 and Under 25	Males: of 25 and Under 50	Males: Over 50	Females: Under 11 years Old	Females: of 10 and Under 25	Females: of 25 and Under 50	Females: Over 50	No. of Slaves: Males	No. of Slaves: Females	Remarks
18th Dec. 1838	Capt William Jones			1								
	Samuel Jones		1									
	Williams Jones Junr		1									
	Stichantah								1			
	Cley Jones						1					
	Stemmo mah						1					
	Betty Jones						1					
	Rhoda Jones						1					
	Miles Mackey			1								
	Jane Jones					1						
	Rachael Mackey					1						
	Mary child of Sucky					1						Born & taken up
	Ted Jones			1								
	Becca							1				
	Johnsons	1										
	Lila					1						
	Abil	1										
	Betsa					1						
	Minna						1					
	P.o. the man tub bee			1								
	Amos Jones			1								
	Sucky						1					
	Han mah									1		
	Te he ge mah								1			
	Nancy					1						

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3rd Dec.r 1833	Hardy Perry			1										
	Harry Perry			1										
	Hom Pilla							1						
	Joe Davis		1											
	Isaac Shote			1										
	Jane Shote							1						
	William Shote		1											
	Mary ann Shote						1							
	John Shote		1											
	Henry Shote	1												
	Prudence Shote					1								
	Eliza Shote					1								
	Jessa Shote	1												
	Tum up e pub bee			1										
	Lazza							1						
	Ah pe la tab bee	1												
	Pi e ha					1								
	Sah ma	1												
	Chis sa	1												
	Sah sa					1								
	Sal mon	1												
	Rachael					1								
	Si na					1								
	Jefferson Serton			1										
	Minnie Serton							1						
	Nelly Serton					1								
	Hardy Serton	1												
	Lucy					1								
	Me shak sain ah	1												
	Tan none ha								1					
4th Dec.r 1833	Lue Lucas				1									Drawn provision
	Mish ovo tamba		1											at Pheasant Bluff
	Apna Lucas							1						Depot
	Lusan					1								

Choctaws who draw provision at Pheasant Bluff Depot -

4th Dec. 1833	Abel Russel	1										
	Jesse	1										
	Cush a hoo mah				1							
	Ish ah chub bee			1								
	Ste mah tub bee		1									
	Sha lee cha						1					
	In can chub bee	1										

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Recapitulation

Of the number of Choctaw Indians located in Arkansas District of the late Emigrants.

Number of requisitions by Companies Agency Depots	Number of Births	Total Number	Number still (drawing) Subsistence
173	3	176	176

G. J. Rains Lt. U. S. A.
& Disbursing Agent
Choctaw Nation

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Treasy 63. Secretary

M. Rector
Washington City
May 5th 1834
Accepting appointment
of Asst Engr

Genl George Gibson
Com Genl Subs
Washington City

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Washington
5th May 1834

Sir

I had the honor this day to receive from the Secretary of War the appointment of Assistant Agent for the removal & Subsistence of Indians & I accept the appointment and am directed to report the same to you,

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt

Gen George Gibson
Com Gen. Subs.

W. Hector
asst Agt.

Copy 64 Chickasaw
Letter to Genl Jno. Gibson
Comy Genl Subs.
Washington City.
Feby
M. G. I. Rains
Chickasaw Agency April 18th 1834

Forwards the muster roll
requested in letter of 6th
March exhibiting the No
of Choctaws of the three
Emigrations, and the
time of their arrival
&c &c -
The Commr authorized
the purchase of 2,750 bus.
Corn for the Ind. which
he has been issuing
&c.

Rec'd 22 May

Gen. Geo. Gibson
Com. Genl Subs

Choctaw Nation near the Agency
24 April 18th 1834.

Sir I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of yours of 21st Jany last, and in obedience to yours orders received 6th March, forward the necessary Muster-Rolls, exhibiting the number of Choctaws who arrived in this section of the country during the three Emigrations, their time of Arrival - No. of Persons counting such as are 16 years old - No. of Women & Children - Slaves Births & Deaths during the time they were issued to & various other items which exhibit the whole amount now in this District noted in Recapitulation General in Roll No. 5"

The Board of Commissioners of Indian affairs at Ft. Gibson having authorised the Choctaw Agent to purchase 27 5/6 bushels of Corn the same to be turned over to me for issue to Indians in a starving condition, I assumed the duties appertaining thereto & have accordingly issued part of the Corn to families as they presented themselves to be enrolled

There are now nearly 2.000 Choctaws including Emigrants arrived after 24th Feby last & the number daily increasing who have placed themselves on the list.

As an inducement to raising Corn I have made it known

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generally that before next if any satisfactory evidences must be given by each Choctaw that he is cultivating a field or concerned therein & all found negligent will be left to starve

The cause of their situation as before stated, arises from the over-flow of the Arkansas River

I am Sir

very respectfully

your Most Obt. Servt.

G. J. Raines Lt. U.S.A. & Dis Agt

P.S. I have been anxious some time since, to forward these papers to you; but our Mails have altogether failed or arrived at an improper time for the last Month.

respectfully. G. J. R.

Enrg 63 Choctaw

Letter to Genl Gen Gibson
Com.y Genl Subs
Washington City

St. G. T. Rains
Choctaw Agency
April 20th 1834

Sends his acct for 1qr 1834
Has advanced to certain Indns
$100 of his own money -
The Choctaws have
appointed a Council to be held
1 June to draft a Constitution
&c.

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Rec'd June 21st

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comy Genl Subs
Washington City

Choctaw Agency
April 20th 1834.

Sir Herewith I have the honor of forwarding a Quarterly Return, a Property Return and an Act. Current for 1st Quarter 1834.

The U.S. Commissioners having authorised Majr P. W. Armstrong to purchase 2750 bushels of Corn and to turn it over to me for issue to suffering Choctaw Indians and having issued a portion thereof, I thought it best to account for it in my Quarterly Return, it is noted accordingly.

These people have been out of provision now for some time and though I presume the Corn for them is on the river, it is too low for any navigation whatever to this place. I have let some of the Emigrants who arrived since the 24th Feby last, have nearly $100. out of my own pocket to keep them from Starving which the Choctaws in council have agreed should be stopped out of their annuity.

The Choctaws having annuled all former proceedings have appointed the 1st of June to hold a grand Council near the Kiamechi river to draft a Constitution & make Laws.

I am Sir
very respectfully
your most Obt. Servt.
G. J. Raines Lt. U. S. A.
Dis. Agent. Ind. rems. Subs.

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Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies in Carrying into effect Agents of the United States for the removal and Subsistence of In March 1834 Gen order from the Commissioner General dated 31st Jany

Dates	No of Vouchr	To whom Paid	For what Paid	$ cts
1834				
January 6th	1	Thos E. C. McClellan	For services of Wagon & Team	✓
" 13th	2	W Clarke —	" " Wagons & Teams	✓24.
" 13th	3	Berenly R. Baker	" " Wagon & Team	✓22
				✓37

Signed Duplicate

Carrying into effect the Choctaw Treaty by Capt G. J. Rains & including Subsistence of Indians in the Quarter ending the thirtieth (31st) day of ~~March~~ dated 31st Jany 1833.

Paid	Amount	Remarks
	$ cts	
Wagon & Team	6. 50	For hauling corn for Teams M.S. Ind. Dept & services of Team
Wagons & Teams	245. 00	" transporting certain Articles M.S. property of the Rifles Ga- thering provisions to Red river
Wagon & Team	122. 50	Do Do Do " " property of the Rifles Gump- tion to Red river
	$376. 00	

I Certify on honor that the above Abstract is just & true

G. J. Rains Capt. A. A. S. A

& Dis. Agt.

Ind. rem. & Sub.

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ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS *for Transportation by* J.

the removal and Subsistence of **Indians,** *in the Quarter ending the* Thirty-fir

DATES.	Number of Voucher.	TO WHOM PAID.	FOR WHAT PAID.
1834			
January 19th	1	John Perry	For Passage
" 21st	2	Wm. Wm. St. Amant	" Passages
" 24th	3	John Dames	" Transportation
March 15th	4	John Coleman	" Passages
"	5	Emigrant Choctaws	" Transportation
February 1834	6	"	"

Signed Duplicate

First G. G. Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for

by-first day of March 1834

AID.	AMOUNT.	REMARKS.
	~~$~~ cts	
	50. 00	Paid for crossing the Mississippi River
	13. 00	in emigrating from the Old to the new country
	7. 00	From the Old Station to new Country, west of Ark. Ter.
	33. 75	Paid in emigrating from the Old to the new Country
	344. 00	Communication for emigrating themselves, The voucher is
	230. 00	forwarded to Capt J Brown Prim. Dis. Agent at Little Rock A.T. by order
		of Com. Genl. Do. Do. This voucher is also sent to Capt J Brown
		Prim. Dis. Agent at Little Rock A.T. by order of Com. Genl
	$678. 25	

I Certify on Honor, that the above Abstract is just and true.

G. G. Rains U. R. I. A

& Dis. Agt. Ind. Affs. & Subs.

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Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies by Disbursing Agents in United States for the removal and Subsistence of Indians, in.

Dates	No. of Vouchr.	To Whom Paid	For What Paid	Amount Dollars	Amount Cents
1834					
January 15th	1	Wm Phillispaw	Riding Express	3	00
" 31st	2	John G. Fulton	Services as Assistant Agent	124	00
"		"	" "	42	00
" 25th	4	Willis Cowan	" Carpenter	30	00
" 31st	5	John F. McClellan	Services as Issuing Commissary	71	42½
" "	6	George W. Rains	" as Clerk & Issuing Commissary	180	00
" "	7	John F. McClellan	" as Issuing Commissary	50	00
" "	8	G. W. Rains	" as Disbursing Agent	183	00
" "	9	Gill. Pickett & Postmr	Public Postage	3	08¾
" "	10	Gill. Pickett & Gregg	Sundries for Ch. S. Wagons & Teamsters	4	62½
" "	11	Pickett & Gregg	Stationary	3	62½
				764	16

I Certify on honor that

Signed Triplicates

by Lieut G. J. Rains U.S. A. & Disbursing Agent of the Indians, in the Quarter ending the thirty-first March 1834

Amount Dollars	Amount Cents	Remarks
3	00	To Crawford C.H. with public papers
124	00	Ind: serv & Lab. from 1st Jany to 31st Jany 1834 at $4.00 per diem.
112	00	" " " 1st Feby to 28th Feby 1834 " "
30	00	In building a house at Pleasant Bluff Depot as quarters for ifficing Commissary
171	42½	From 1st Jany to 12th Feby inclusive
180	00	From 1st Jany to 31st March inclusive
50	00	From 1st to 31st March 1834. "
183	00	From 1st Jany to 31st March 1834 "
3	08¾	On letters & packages
4	12½	As Sugar Coffee & Tallow
3	62½	
$764	16¼	

I swear that the above Account is just and true.

G. J. Rains Lt. U. S. A
& Dis. Agent
Ind. serv. & Subs.

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ESTIMATE of **FUNDS** required in the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaw - Indians, for the Quarter ending 31st March 1834 with the Application in detail, intended to be made of them, by Lieut G. J. Rains A. I. Dis. Agt.

	Marriages of Choctaw Indians who came on their own resources from the Old Nation to their New Country in this District	$300	00
	For three Wagons & Teams hired, and now engaged in transporting Corn Powder, Rifles &c to Red River at $4.00 per diem	360	00
	Pay of Two A. I. Teamsters employed in the Same Transportation at $20.00 per month each	120	00
	Repairs of Public Wagons engaged in the Same	5	00
	Voyage for Seventeen public Crew and One horse	27.2	25

" " " men each	120	00
Repairs of Public Wagons engaged in the Same	5	00
Forage for Mounted public Guard and Cart horse	272	25
Subsistence of M. S. Teamsters	36	00
Pay of Issuing Commissary Wm. McClellan	150	00
Pay of Clerk	150	00
Pay of Asst. Agent Jno. T. Tatlow in Service at Pheasant Bluff	360	00 X
Pay of Major as Disbursing Agent	183	00
Deduct Amount estimated to remain on Hand		
Amount required	$1906	25

Signed Duplicates

G. J. Rains Lt. M.S.A.
& Dis. Agent
Ind Terr. & Kans.

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Dr. *The* **United States,** *in Account current with* Lieut G. J. Raiol &

ending the thirty first day of March — 1834

DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS.	
1st quarter 1834	See Abstract of Disbursements for Subsistence	783	80	
" " "	" " Transportation	678	25	1
" " "	" " Contingencies	764	16½	10
" " "	" Ab. Army Debts	376	00	
This amount due the United States		2966	11	
		$5568	32½	

I Certify that the above accou

Signed Duplicates

Raised Dis Agt. on account of the removal and subsistence of Indians, for the Quarter

Cr.

CENTS.	DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS.
80		By Cash dec. U. S. per last statement	3623	62½
25	1st & 2d 1836	" rec'd per Account of Sales	12	37½
16½	13 Jan'y "	" rec'd of Capt J Brown Prin Dis. Agent	432	32½
00		" " " " " " "	1500	00
11				

Comig 66 Choctaw
Letter to Genl G. Gibson
Comr Genl Subs
Washington City
D. C.
From Lt G. I. Rains
Choctaw Agency
July 29th 1834

He had recd orders relieving
him from service in Ind:
Terr.

States that he had been
informed that F. W.
Armstrong had sworn that
he would have him removed

He had condemned a parcel
of spoiled corn which
Armstrong was issuing to
Indians which greatly
displeased Armstrong

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Rec'd 1st Sept.

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comg Genl Subs

Choctaw Agency C.N.
July 29th 1834.

Sir! I have the honor to inform you that the order from the Commanding General, directing me to join my company in the field without delay, was rec'd two weeks after which, your order and Instructions received, relieving me, the time of transfer of Property, Money &c to Lieut J. Brown being left to the discretion of Capt J Brown Prov. Dis. Agent.

As I am labouring under a Bilious fever of six weeks standing, from which I believe I am convalescing, notwithstanding I received your letter to day, my remarks at present must necessarily be short.

After condemning a quantity of badly spoiled corn, which the Agent W. W. Stanton was furnishing the Choctaws, at his Crib near his dwelling — after his passion he I was informed he owned that he would have me removed, as soon as he went on to Washington City, and Lieut J. P. Davis openly avowed that he expected to receive me (having been promised I presumed) — Maj. A. had left for the city.

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These reports are widely circulated as also another which came from Majr. Armstrong's family, and communicated by letter perhaps, anticipating the orders received since, by some weeks. Stating that I would soon be ordered to join my Regiment

I have in conclusion the honor to transmit herewith a Muster Roll of Choctaws who have arrived since my last and previous to the first of May:

Being unable to add more at present-

I remain Sir

Very respectfully

your Mo. Ob't. Serv't.

G. J. Rains. M. S. U.

Lt. & Dis. Agt.

Fort Coffee C.N. Ark.

60 Expnig 67 Choctaw
Agency

Wm. Rector
Little Rock
Augt. 12. 1834

Has turned over $8700
to Mr Stephenson for the
purchase of Cattle for
the Choctaw Indians

Little Rock, 12 Augt. 34

W. Rector

Recd 2d Sept.
Ans.

Referred by
the 2d Assist
to the Office

Sept 2 '34

3 Sep. '34

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Referred to 2d Auditor 14 Oct. 3.

Little Rock A.T.
12th August 1834.

Sir

I have turned over, (as directed by the Com.r Genl.) $8000 to Genl Stephenson, for the purpose of purchasing cattle for the Choctaw Indians. I should have forwarded this receipt to your office &c. this, had the Com.r Genl. not directed that it's office, to do so.

I am Sir

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt
Wm. Rector Supt. Agt
Ind. Removal

Wm. B. Lewis Esqr.
2nd Aud.
Washington City

Evening 68 Choctaw

Wm. Reler

Little Rock

18th Aug. 1834

Have delivered $8000 to
Lt. Stephenson, who did
not require the aid of
Mr. Ruter in purchasing
Cattle. He had deposited
himself to Capt Brown

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Rec'd Sept. 9

Little Rock A. T.
18th Augt. 1834

Sir

Agreeable to your order of the 5th May 1834. I proceeded to Fort Towson delivered 8.000 ℔ to Lieut Stephenson and returned to this place. for the purpose of reporting to Capt Brown which I done on his arrival here.

Lieut Stephenson did not deem it necessary for me to remain to assist him in the purchase of Cattle. for the Indians. as he would advertise for them to be delivered in the fall

Very Respectfully
Yr. Obt. Servt.

W.m Rector
Apt Agt
Rvl. Indians

Genl George Gibson
Comy. Genl. Subs

Enrig 73. Choctaw

G. T. Rains
Choctaw Agency
July 29th 1834

Recommending a sale
at Auction of horses
&c. &c. on hand

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Rec'd 2 Sept

Choctaw Agency

Genl Geo. Gibson July 29th 1834

Comy Genl Subs. Sir I have the honor to recommend a sale at Auction or otherwise, disposal of Commissary's Stores remaining on hand, of Pork and at Fort Smith A. T. of Soap Candles and Vinegar. —

I am Sir

very respectfully

your obo. Obt. Servt.

G. S. Rains.

Lt. 7th Infy

Emig 74. Choctaw

Lt. G. J. Rains

Ft. Gibson 23d. Oct 1834

Sends his Monicendum to
the Indian Dept.

States that he had
lent Money out of his
own pocket to certain
starving Choctaws to
buy Corn when Money
the Govt. determined
in Council to repay
out of their Annuity
sends their Receipts &c.

Inclosure

Affidavits &c
&c

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Rec°. Dec 1.

Genl Gen. Gibson

Com'y Genl Subs

Fort Gibson

October 23d. 1834

Sir. Herewith, I have the honor of forwarding my monied accounts, in the Indian Dept. which I believe, are sufficiently explanatory, except Voucher No 5. in Abstract of Disbursements for Subsistence which is calculated finally to lead into a difficulty as my provision Returns cannot embrace the corn thereon purchased, the Choctaws having since received all rations due them

As before mentioned to you, I lent the starving Emigrant Choctaws Money out of my own pocket, to buy them corn and I hold Receipts and a decision of their Council advised by myself, to be repaid out of their annuity, signed by their Chief and 25 Captains: But Capt J Brown Asst. Dis. Agent, after issuing up a Receipt for forwarding Choctaws, who went for corn across the Ark. river, altered another to cover the amount, and ordered me to make out the Bill accordingly, for the Interpreter & Agent in this transaction: to cover it with a Return, made to suit certified as witnessed by my Clerk, who never saw, or knew of a Single issue.

I do not understand, why concealment of this transaction, should be necessary, and never have been in the habit

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of so modifying the accounts, I am compelled to forgo the whole subject matter with copies of the original papers to you, except the one town up as before mentioned. These papers were drawn up, according to my approbation

I am Sir

Very respectfully

your Mo. Obt. Servt.

L. J. Kaine

Lt. J. A. [illegible]

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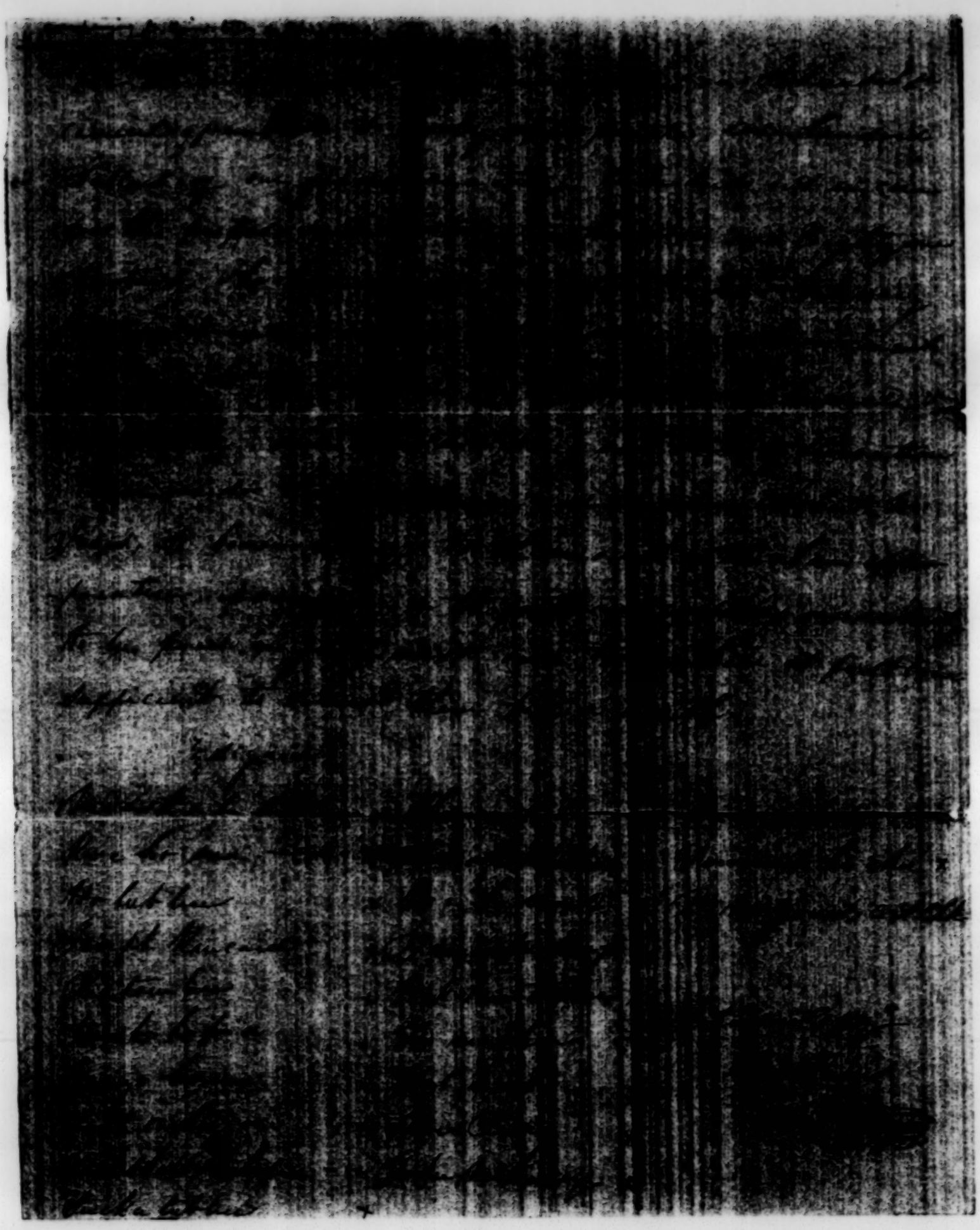

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Received, Choctaw Nation, Apr 28th 1834 of Lt. G. J. Rains by the hand of R. M. Jones, Seventy Dollars and Sixty two & a half cents for fifty five and a half Bushels of Corn, at one Dollar & twenty five cents per Bushel to subsist One hundred and thirty two Choctaws, for 15 days, on their arrival here from the Red River, 1834

"A true Copy"
G. J. Rains Capt. 7th Inft.

Received Choctaw Nation, April 28th 1834 of Lieut. G. J. Rains by the hands of R. M. Jones, Seventy Dollars and sixty two and a half cents for [illegible] hundred and five gallons of Corn, at one Dollar per bushel for the purpose of subsisting [illegible] Choctaws on their arrival here from the 24th February 1834

"A true Copy"
G. J. Rains Capt. 7th Inft.

* Altered by Capt Brown 7th Inft

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Abstract of Disbursements on Account of Subsistence by
United States for the removal and Subsistence of Indians b

Date	No. of Vouchers	To Whom Paid	Corn		[illegible]	Amount	
			Bushels	Pints	Rat Rts	Dollars	¢
1834							
Jany 23d	1	David McClellan	85	8		10	6
March 6th	2	James Young				6	
" 13th	3	James Shannon	23			3	4
" 15th	4	Coleman & Shanghoff			17292	43	2
"	5	Ithiel Dodge	55	20		8	3
" 31st	6	William Murdock				6	5
31st	7	Anthony Burgess				6	5

Abstract by Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the Indians in the Quarter ending the thirty first day March 1834

	Amount Dollars	Cents	Remarks
	106	56¼	Forage for R. S. Ind. Dept accounted for in Return 4th Qr 1833
	6	00	Ferriage of Wagons & Teams with provision over the Portiau river
	34	50	Forage for R. S. Teams
2	432	30*	To supply deficiency of J Bigelows Contract, accounted for Etc J. Brown Capt by D. Supt Dis. Agent
	83	43¾	Forage for R. S. Ind Dept.
	60	00	Services as Interpreter
	60	00	" " "
	1742	80.	

17-12 2½

5584
8646

* See Capt Rains Abst Disb Accts 4 Qr. 1833. in which this amt is deducted from Jonas Bigelow's bill for rations

that the above Abstract is just and true.

G. J. Rains Lt. R. S. A.
& Dis. Agent
Ind Affairs & Subs.

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Abstract of Disbursements on account of Subsistence by C.
States for the removal and Subsistence of Indians in the

Date	No of Vouchers	To Whom Paid	Salt		Corn		Hay
			Bushels	Quarts	Bushels	Quarts	Dollars
30th January	1	William Winlock				1	.5
"	2	Anthony Burgess					2
	3	Edward Cunningham	8				.15
	4	Pickett & Gregg					2
	5	Robert M. Jones			64	4	1.78

'istence by Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the Remitt
Indians in the Quarter ending the 30th day of June 1834

Corn		Amount		Remarks
Shells	Quarts	Dollars	Cents	
	1	5	33	Services as Teamster
		2	66⅔	" " "
		15	50	Accounted for in Provision Return of 4th Qr 1833
		2	12½	For Sugar & Coffee for Ch. S. Teamsters.
64	4	78	25	"See letter to Com.y General of Subsistence" of the [redacted] 23d Oct. 1834 - This Corn is not bro't upon the Door. Return ~~accompanied~~ for reasons see letter above referred to.
		103	87	

on honor that the above Abstract is just and true -

Signed Triplicates

G. J. Rains Lt. R. M. A.
& Dis. Agt
Ind. Dep. Subs

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Abstract of Disbursements for contingencies in charge
G. W. Kains Disbursing Agent of the United States in the m
ending the thirtieth day of June 1834, by Order of the Comm

Date	No. of Voucher	To whom paid	For what paid
Apl 30th 1834	1	John Rogers	Drayage - Freight - Storage
June 5 "	2	Wm. Richards	Transporting property of Emigran
June 30 "	3	Rebecca Pickersd	Corn - Forage for R. I. P.

Benjamin Dearborn Jr.

ceivd in carrying into effect the Choctaw Treaty by Treaty
Stats in the removal & subsistence of Indians in the quarte
er of the Commissary Genl of Subsistence dated 31st Jan y 1833.

	Amount		Remarks.
& paid	Dolls	cts	
Freight - Wagonage &c	48	95	
property of Emigrants	65	61	As Axes, Hoes, Ploughs &c. to Indians
age for M. V. Teams	61	00	Accounted for in Returns of 4th qr
			1833 & 1st quarter 1834.
	175	56	

I certify on honor that the above abstract is just & true
to J Davis to M. V. A
& Dis. Agt.
Ind. rem. & subs.

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Statement of Disbursements for Transportation &c
of the United States for the removal and Subsistence of

United States	No. of Steamboats	To whom Paid	For what Paid	Amount Dollars Cts
June 30th 1834 Cho. Nation	1	Ark to Skc wck	For Emigrating Indians - removed	54

Signed Duplicate

I Certify

Transportation by Lieut. G. T. Rains U.S.A. & Disbursing Agent
&c. Subsistence of Indians in the Quarter ending the thirtieth of June 1834

Date	Amount Dollars	Amount Cents	Remarks
Dis'mts			
ces	4	00	This man traveled two hundred miles to the new Choctaw country as by Reference in Duplicate Accounts or vouchers to Capt J Brown Pmr. Dis. Agt at Little Rock. A.T. according to order.

I certify on honor that the above Account is just and true

G. Rains
Lt. & Dis. Agt
Ind. rem & Subs

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Dr. *The* **United States,** *in Account current with* Lieut G. J. Rae

ending the 30th *day of* September 1834

DATES.		DOLLARS.	CENTS.	
3rd Quarter 1834	Per Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies	840	48¾	2
—	. . . . . Subsistence	103	87	—
—	. . . . . Transportation	4	00	2
—	. . . . . Agency Debt 2nd qr of 1834	175	56	—
—	. . . . . Dr 3rd qr 1834	3	66	—
	Turned over to Lieut Van Horne Dis Agt.	166	49	11
	This Amount due the United States & turned over to Capt J. Brown Jr. Dis. Agt. Ind pew & Sub.	2142	09	—
		$3436	15¾	

I Certify that the abov

Rains Dis. Agt. on account of the removal and subsistence of Indians, for the Quarter

Cr.

VTS.	Dates.		DOLLARS	CENTS.
	31st March 1834	By Cash due Pr. S. per last Statement	29 66	11
		" " rec'd per Amount of Sales	3 36	01½
	22d May 1834	" " " of C.W. Howel by the hands of Capt J. Brown Prine. Dis. Agt.		
		Rec'd. prem. & Subs. in payment for Mail boat built by said Howell	+ 100	00
		See certificate & property Return of 2nd quarter 1833		
	10th Sept 1834	By Cash rec'd for provision sold to Mr. Moore Agent for C.W. Howel to supply deficiency made by him in his Contract.	+ 33	73
		See the Returns & Brown's receipts for his payments to		
¾			3436	15¾

the above account of monies received and expended by me in the period above stated, is just and true.

Signed Triplicates

G. J. Rains Lt. U. S. A
& Dis. Agt
Jud. rem. & Subs.

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Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies by C
United States for the removal & subsistence of Indians,

Dates	No. of Voucher	To Whom Paid	For What Paid
15th September 1834	1	Jno. S. McClellan	Services as Asst
	2	Geo. W. Rains	" "
	3	Geo. S. Birnie	Postage on public letters.
	4	Pickett & Gregg	Stationary
	5	Geo. Pickett	Postage on public letters in
	6	Constantine Perkins	Auctioneer
	7	G. J. Rains	Services as Disbursing
	8	A. P. Picket	Articles for Pic. Teams &
	9	Jno. S. McClellan	Services as A. Asst. Agt. at
	10	Geo. W. Rains	" " " " and
	11	Aaron Barling	Services as Clk
	12	G. J. Rains	" Disbursing

I certify on honor th
Signed Duplicates

igencies by Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent of the
of Indians, in the Quarter ending the ~~thirtieth~~ day of September 1834

For What Paid		Amount Dolls	Cts	Remarks
ices as	Asst Agent	150	00	During April may & June 1834 Issuing provisions at Carrimole Depot.
—	" " & Clerk	100	00	Issuing provisions to suffering Choctaws & others.
es on pub	letters in 4th qr 1833	5	59½	Mail Agency Depot in April & May 1834
tionary		7	00	
e on pub	letters in 2d & 3d Quarters	3	87½	Of 1834
tioneers		1	00	In disposing of Wagons & Teams at public sale
ices as	Disbursing Agent	183	00	During April, May & June, 1834
les for	Teams & Wagons	1	09	As roped for Execr
ices as	Agt. at Lovinos Depot	116	66½	From 1st July to 10th Sept. inclusive "
"	" and Clerk	107	25-3/4	From 12 " " 15 " "
ices as		14	00	For 7 days in June & July 1834.
"	Disbursing Agent	152	50	From 1st July to 15 Sept. inclusive 1834
		840	48½	

I do on honor that the above Abstract is just and true.
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G. J. Rains
Lt. & Dis. Agt
Vid. rem & Vabs.

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Abstract of Disbursements for contingencies in carry in
S. P. Rains, Disbursing Agent for the United States in the
the quarter ending the thirtieth day of September 1834

Date	No. of Voucher	To whom paid	For what paid
4th Sept. 1834	1	Mathew Moore	Fresh Beef for R. S. Fo

{ Signed Triplicate }

ers in carrying into effect the Choctaw Treaty &c. Dist
of States in the removal and subsistence of Indians, in
tember 1834

What paid	Amount Dollars	cts	Remarks
Receipt for R. S. Translator	3	66	

I certify on honor that the above abstract is just and true. L. J. Raines
Act. Dis. Agent
Ind. Rem. & Subs.

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Ennig 73 Choctaw
G. I. Rains
Fort Gibson
Oct 8th 1834

Sends a provision return comprising all issues to suffering Choctaws during the 1st 2d & 3d qrs 1834.

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Rec'd 11 Nov

Genl Geo. Gibson
Com'y Genl Subs

Sir.

Fort Gibson
Oct 8th 1834.

Herewith I have the honor to forward a Provision Return, comprising all issues to suffering Choctaws during the 1st 2nd & 3rd quarters 1834

You will be surprised at the magnitude of the Abstract, but perhaps more so when informed - it has been condensed as much as possible. That my original Abstracts contain the names of individuals and this, Heads of families & Captains of companies.

As my principal duties were of an active kind you may well judge of the labour therein expended.

The issues were made so irregular. ie to persons of the same company & even family, at different times, and in so many different quantities, that it required almost the wisdom of Solomon to right them.

I have performed the Herculean task, and I hope to your satisfaction, but in conclusion I must observe, I attempted to make these issues more systimatically at it was

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effectually opposed by Majr. F. W. Armstrong 6th. Infty.
who. I thought intended to give me as much trouble
therein as possible

I am Sir

very respectfully
your mo. obt. servt.
G. J. Raines Lt. 6th. Infty
A.A.C.S.

Emig 77. Choctaw

G. I. Rain's

Fort Gibson Nov. 12th 1834

Forwarding a proper Return
of Vehicles appertaining to the
Indian Dep.t of the W.
Without which the Agent
cannot obtain his Warrant

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Rec'd 12th

Genl Geo Gibson
Com'y Genl Subs

Genl Gibson
November 12th 1836.

Sir! Herewith, I have the honor to forward a Property Return & articles appertaining to the Judiciary Dept. of Ark. District, which closes my accounts therein

I am- Sir
very respectfully
your Mo. Obt. Servt.
G. J. Rains
Lt. 7th Inf.

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Certificate of Stationary

I certify on honor, that Four Quires of Letter paper Two sticks of sealing wax and Twelve Quills, were necessarily purchased by me, and used in the Indian Department at this place, together with one fourth of a Quire of Envelops

G. J. Rains
Lt. 4 A. in rem
& Sub. of Ind.

Duplicate

Certificate of Stationary

I Certify on honor, that Three Quires of Letter Paper
one Paper of Ink Powder and Four Sticks of sealing
Wax. were necessarily purchased by me, and
used in the Indian Department at this place

G. J. Rains
Lt & a. agt. j/a
Com & Sub of Ind

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"Abstract of Articles Purchased at Fort Smith and Articles paid for which were Purchased from the United States for Removal and Subsistence

	Forage	Means of Transportation			Stationary					Building Materials			C		D		E
	Fodder, lbs of	Wagons			Doz Letter Paper	Ink, Powder, Inkstands	Sealing wax, Wafers	Blank Books		Nails lbs of	for Coffins, Lbs of Rope	Pine Plank, 13 by 3	Chairs, door Locks		Buckets for Public Use		Hats
H. Ross, Agt. 12 C					3	1				14			2				2
W. Knox 14 C.	600																
John Rogers 15 C.		1															
Duval & Carns 16 C.							4	2		3							1
Bonnie & Amoker 17 C.											3				1		1
Pickett & Gregg 18 C.												1	1				
Total Amount	600	1			3	1	4	2		17	3	1	3		1		4

Duplicate

Smith in the Quarter ending on the 31st March 1852
ued prior to the Quarter by Lt G.J. Rains a agent of
bsistence of Indians

| | D | F | G | H | L | M | S | | | T | | |

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F. Abstract of Articles received from Officers at Fort Smith C. N. in the quarter ending on the 31st of March 1832 by Lieut G. J. Rains A. Agt. for Trade & Int. of Indians.

Date	From whom rec'd?	Clothing		Blankets		Building Materials		Iron			
		Pairs Pantaloons	Pairs Stockings	Pairs	Coats	Nails lbs.	Hinges pairs	Axes	Mill Saws	Hoes	Augers
May 1831	Capt. Clark					150	2	1	1	2	
April 1832	" Brown Q.M. Dept. Comd. & Q.M. of Inds. M. D. A.	10		1							
		10		1		150	2	1	1	2	

Duplicate

G. J. Rains
Lieut. A. for Trade & Int.
of Indians

L" Abstract of Articles expended in the Public Service and worn out at Fort ~~Smith~~ under the direction of Lt. G. J. Rains Asst Agent of the United States for the Removal and Subsistence of Indians in the Quarter ending on the Thirtieth day of June 1832

No. of Certificate	Building Materials					F				H					
	Nails lbs of		Plank No. of feet			File				Hammers					
No. 1	51	.	1060	.	.	1	.	.	.	1					
Total	51	.	1060	.	.	1	.	.	.	1					

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G. J. Rains
Lt. & A. in rem &
sub of Ind.

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Abstract of Articles expended in the Public Service and worn out at Fort Smith Under the direction of Lt. G.J. Rains agent of the United States for Removal and Subsistence of Indians. in the quarter ending on the 31st day of March 1832.

	H	I3	6	K	G	16	L	N	O
No of Certificate	Augers	Boxes of Tin plate	Axes	Files	Gimlets	Hinges Barr iron	Locks Hooks & Screws	Nails No of	Pattern Ax
No 1"	1	3	2	3	2	1	2	167	16
Total	1	3	2	3	2	1	2	167	16

Duplicate

G. J. Rains
Lt. U. S. A.
a. a. g. - Sup. & Sub of Ind

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Commissary Gen'l of Subs. LR 1834 Choctaw

Comg. 8 Q Stoddard
Lt. J. R. Stephenson
Fort Towson
Dec. 2d 1833.

In reply to letters of 17th 19 October 1833, and explanatory of certain items of provisions.

Rec'd 11 Jany

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty.
December 2nd 1833.

Sir

I have received your letters under date of the 18th. September, 17th & 19th. October 1833.

According to your instructions of the 17th October, I have prepared an Abstract shewing all Disbursements and Issues I have made for Teams and Teamsters employed in transporting Indian (Choctaw) Annuities from Fort Smith. This Abstract is herewith enclosed, and includes all and every expenditure made by me in accounts of the Choctaw Agency Work. Where issues were made out of Public Supplies on hand, a reference as to the cost is made at the bottom of the Abstract. To one Barrel of Pork received from Lieut. Alexander there is no charge entered. This Barrel was a portion of the condemned Provisions in the Subsistence Department Fort Towson but as it answered the purpose of the Teamsters, I gave Lieut. Alexander my receipt for it, as Condemned.

In reply to yours of the 19th October, I have to state, that at the time the Two Bushels of Bran and Barrel of Pork was issued, there was no Waggon Master accompanied the Teams from Fort Smith, and at the request of Lieut Reins I furnished them the Teamsters with Provisions sufficient for their return.

As regards the inconsistency of the Requisition on which the other issues were made, alluded to by you, I will state that from the goodness of the range for grazing at that time, the Waggon Master on his return to Fort Smith thought that it would only be necessary to furnish for the Teams part Rations; a Pair Bushels to each Team. On the other hand he thought detentions might occur from high Waters or other causes, and therefore required ample Rations to meet Contingencies.

contingencies. These are the reasons why neither the Number of Persons or Horses or time was entered in the requisition. I have no memorandums to which I can refer to enable me to ascertain the Number of Persons or Animals for which the Requisition was drawn.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obed. Sert.
Jas. N. Stephenson
A. A. S. Army
Disby. Dept. Choctaw Agt.

P. S. After having this letter I thought it would be acceptable to you, to know that the new Emigrations was close at hand they will be here in the course of a few days. All necessary preparations are made for their reception.

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City
(D. C.)

Lt. J. R. Stephenson's

Abstract of Disbursements on accounts of Furnishing Teamsters & Teams employed in Transporting Indians (Choctaws) Annuities.

Dec. 2d 1833.

Rec'd 11. Dec. 1833 on acct. of Emigration.

2d 94 L. 1832
1. 32 1833

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Abstract of Disbursements on account of Subsistence and Fora Transportation of Choctaw Indians Annuities from the Choctaw Agency 1832, to include the 3rd Quarter of 1833, by Lieut James R. Stoc

Date	From whom received		Beef lbs	Beef rs	Pork Bbls	Bacon lbs	Corn Bus	Corn lbs	Salt Bus	Salt lbs	Sugar lbs	Coffee lbs	
2nd 2d 1832	Public Supplies	✓	–	–	–	–	50	–	1	–	–	–	Issued.
" " 1 May "	Winnet B. Sims	✓	29	–	–	52	–	–	–	–	8	9	Rec'd. 3d Qr.
" " June 30 "	Josiah L. Doak	✓	–	–	–	28	–	–	–	–	4	–	"
" " 1 May "	T. A. & C. Williams.	✓	41	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	Entire
4th 2d "	Byrd & Belding	✓	20	8	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	do. do.
" " "	Public Supplies	✓	–	–	–	–	80	16	–	–	–	–	Issued.
1 2d 1833	Peter Sheldon	✓	340	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	Rec'd.
"	Public Supplies	✓	–	–	–	–	396	16	–	–	–	–	Issued 1833
"	"	✓	–	–	–	–	127	24	1	–	–	–	do.
2nd 2 May	"	✓	–	–	–	–	134	–	–	–	–	–	do.
" " "	Saint Alexander a. b. S.	✓	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	Rec'd. (Th.
" June 30	John Emberson	✓	259	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	Rec'd
" " 23	Public Supplies	✓	–	–	–	–	2	–	–	–	–	–	Rec'd
" " 30	Saint Alexander a. b. S.	✓	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	Purch. & R.
	Total		689	8	2	80	790	24	2	–	12	9	Do.

Fort Towson West Ark Ty
December 2nd 1833

ance and Forage for Teamsters and Teams employed in the Choctaw Agency West, to Fort Towson, from the 1st day of January
James R. Stephenson A.A. Q. Master Dis. Agt Choctaw Removal.

Sugar	Coffee	Remarks & References	Amount	
lbs	lbs		dlls	cts
—	—	Furnished for the use of Teamsters & Teams & entered in Return of Provisions 2d Qr. 1832.	64	00
8	9	Refer to Abst of Purchases for the Subs of Teamsters accompanying Account Current 2d Qr. 1832	12	24
4	—	Ditto Ditto Ditto Ditto Ditto	5	00
—	—	Entered in Account rec'd from Contractor F. B. M'Williams, 3d Qr. 1832.	1	53 17/100
—	—	Ditto Ditto Ditto " Byrd & Belding 4th " "		66 21/100
—	—	Furnished for the use of Teamsters & Teams & entered in Return of Provisions 4th Qr. 1832 101,25	100	63/2
—	—	Refer to Abst of Purchases on account of Subs & Return of Provisions 1st Qr. 1833.	10	30
—	—	Furnished for the use of Teamsters & Teams & entered in Return of Provisions 1st Qr. 1833	495	63/2
—	—	Ditto Ditto Ditto Ditto Ditto	161	18¾
—	—	Ditto Ditto Ditto & refer to Property Return 2d Quarter 1833	167	50
—	—	Refer to Property Return 2d Qr. 1833 — Rec'd from the Subs Septr Mt. S. Army. (This Book was condemned: previous to being received by me	—	—
—	—	Refer to Abst of Disb for Contingencies 3d Qr. 1833. — & Property Return for same Qr	10	36
—	—	Refer to property Return for 2d Qr. 1833.	2	50
—	—	Purchased for the use of Teamsters — Refer to Abst of Disb for Contingencies & Return of Property for 2d Qr. 1833. 201,55	31	19/2
12	9	Average price Corn $1.25¢ per Bushel. Salt $1.50¢ " "	$ 1052	64¾

Jas R. Stephenson
A. A. G. U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt Choctaw Acct

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[S 90 - Choctaw]

A. P. Pemberton

Tuscaloosa 16 Dec.

1833.

Hon. J. W. Mardis.

Requests some information in reference to his account for traveling expenses whilst engaged as an Assistant Agent in the removal of emigrating Choctaws.

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~Ref? Jan 13. 1834

Fort Kalamazoo 16th December 1833

Sir

My object in writing you at this time is to gain som information of an account of Travelling expences of mine while engaged as an assistant agent in the Removal of the emigrating Choctaw Indians under the Superintendance of Mr. G. S. Gaines. Mr. Gaines has informed me that he while in Washington City last Spring. Deposited the account in the Commissary Genls office for his inspection - agreeable to Mr. Gaines instructions I wrote to the Commissary Genl some time in June last but as yet have Recd no answer to the same, therefore you will confer a favour upon me by calling at the commissary Genls office and ascertain whether there has been any thing done with the account or not - I think from instructions from the Commissary Genl during the time that I was entitled to transportation and subsistance, I never was allowed my transportation during the Superintendance of Mr. Gaines altho it was allowed to others. I am also desirous of being employed in the Removal of the creek Indians. If you should see Capt Wm Armstrong in Washington this winter you will please mention my wishes to him - as I believe he has been appointed Superintendant for the Removal of the creeks and agreeable to information from the Secretary of war. hereafter the Superintendant for the Removal of any tribe of Indians has the power of appointing all assistant agents under him. your kind attention to the above will be thankfully Received by your Hont. C. A. Mardis

Obdt Servt
Alx. D. Commaville

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Washington City
April 23d 1834

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the reciept of your letter of the 21st inst, requesting certain information with regard to the services of Mr A. H. Sommerville Asst Conductor of Indians in the Choctaw Emigration.

In reply I have to state that the services of Mr Sommerville were not required by me after the 25th of December 1833 up to which period he was paid by myself.

I am unable to state whether he has since been employed by any authorized agent.

I remember it was a matter of doubt at the time, whether his services under his appointment were to terminate with his services with me.

I did not however feel myself authorized to pay him for services rendered elsewhere than with me, and therefore closed his account up to the time the emigration of our party terminated.

I have the honor
To be your most Ob Sert
J. P. Simonton
U. S. Assay

Brig Genl Jno Gibbon
Com'g Genl

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Washington City
March 3d 1834

Sir

In compliance with your request I have the honor to state, that Mr A.H. Sommerville Asst Constructor of Indians in the Choctaw Removal, was last paid by me at Doakeville in the Choctaw country West of the Mississippi, and to include the 25th day of December 1833. 1832

William Armstrong Esqr

I have the Honor
To be
your Most Obt. Servt

L. P. Simonton
U. S Army

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The United States

1833 To A. H. Sommerville Dr

For services rendered as assistant
Conductor in removing the Choctaw
Month 1st Emigrants from the 26th day of
December to the 1st day of March
both days included 1 @ $3.00 p. day $198.00

A. H. Sommerville
asst Conductor in Removal and
Subsistence of Indians

The United States To A. H. Sommerville Dr

1833

March 1st For services rendered as assistant Conductor in removing the Choctaw Emigrants from the 26th day of December to the 1st day of March both days included — @ $3.00 pr. day $198.00

A. H. Sommerville

Ast Conductor in Removal and Subsistance of Indians

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Engr 91 Choctaw

Lt. J. R. Stephenson

Fort Towson 18th Jany

1834

Engr. he cant get certificates of dues
in 4th Qr 1832 & 3 first quarters of 1833
he as Rec'd from Capt Brown
$17500 applicable to
Commutation claims
1706 claimants have been
paid. has delayed closing
the pay rolls &c.

REPRODUCED AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Rec. 18 March — Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty
18th January 1834.

Sir

Yours under date of November 6th 1833 has been received. As regards the Checks upon which my issues have been made, they have been regularly furnished to Contractors and I presume by them presented to Capt Brown, as I have invariably informed them that they were the only vouchers upon which they would be paid.

It is entirely impracticable for me to procure Certificates as required in your letter, inasmuch as the principal part of the issues made in the 4th Quarter 1832 and three first Quarters 1833, were made by Wm McK. Ball and Silas Bealeate, neither of whom are now in this service and are absent from the Country.

I herewith enclose my Accounts Current for the 4th Quarter 1833, with Abstracts of Disbursements &c — Statements of Alterations, Return of Property and Quarterly Statements of Agents.

By a reference to my Account Current, you will find I have received of Capt Brown $17300 applicable to Commutation Claims. Of these Claimants 1706 have already been paid. I have thought it best to defer closing my Pay Rolls, hoping that in a few days all the claimants may come forward and be paid on the same Roll. On this subject I have written to Capt Brown.

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City

over.

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Sam Sir
May Respectfully
Your Obdt Servt
J. R. Stapleton
Lt U. S. Army
Disbg Agt Choctaw Nation

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Quarterly Statement of Agents and others employed in the pres
Quarter ending the Thirty first day of December 1833 by Sinah Barnes

No.	Names	Stations	Date of Employment	Compensation	
1	P. & McKinley	Fort Towson Dept	6 December 1831	$50 per Month	Clerk
2	James Penney	"	1 March 1832	$66 "	Agent
3	Geo. F. Lawless	Choc Nation "	23 June 1833	$66 "	Agent

yed in the removal and subsistence of the Choctaw Indians in the
by Lieut. James W. Stephenson U. S. Army, Dis. Agt. Choct. Rem.d.

Compensation	Remarks
$ per month	Clerk for Lieut. Jas. W. Stephenson U. S. Army Dis. Agt. Choct. Rem.d.
"	Assistant
"	Assistant

Jas. W. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Dist. Agt. Choctaw Rem.d

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Statement showing the Alterations of the Emigrant Choctaw Indians by Births, Deaths &c. in the Quarter ending the 31st day of December 1833. by Lieut. James W. Stephenson U. S. Army Dis. Agt. Choctaw Rem.

No. Emigrants Choctaws drawing Rations last Statement	To be deducted				Remaining	To be added		No. Remaining and still drawing Rations	
	No. of Emigrants who have received their final Supplies	Transfd. to Sick Unit &c.		Total Number		Joined from Sick Unit &c.	No. of New Emigrants joined since last Statement		
5013.	3453	"		3453	1560	"	681	2241	

Jas. W. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disby. Agt. Choctaw Rem.l

43 Encl 92 Block Page
A. W. Levier Referred

to Secy of War March 5. 1834
respecting Whinton Reeds
claim for transportation

Sec Secretary of War
Present

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Referred 2 March 1834

Dear Sir

I have understood that all the disbursing agents of the government have been allowed Commissions for carrying on the disbursements with the exception of Col Tatham, who has come on recently for that purpose without waiting to be moved.

Genl Gibson thinks it right that he ought to have what the others rec'd as I understand, but says he requires your sanction, which I hope you will give. I wanted to see you upon this subject but as the room is full waiting to see you I have thought it better to submit this matter to your consideration in this form

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
[illegible]

Washington City March
Feb 1834

Emig 93. Choctaw

Lt. J. K. Stephenson
Fort Towson
7th March 34

speaks of a claim of Jno. Ellis for services as Commissary &c to the Emigrating Choctaws And also of the claim of S. A. Fisher as Interpreter to the same Indians

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Rec.d April 21.

Fort Gibson West of Ark.s Ty.
March 7th 1834

Sir

Your letters under date of the 28th December 1833, and January 21st 1834, enclosing an Extract of a letter to Capt. S. Burrow M. I. Comg. Prin. Dis. Agt. Ind. Rem.s, dated 20th January 1834. have been received.

Enclosed herewith you will receive my Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies for the Month of February 1834.

I also enclose a letter of appointment given by L. J. Cross Special Indian Agent to John Ellis together with a Certificate of services rendered by him as Commissary and Interpreter to the Choctaw Emigrants whilst removing to their new Country west. This claim has been presented to Capt. Brown as I was informed for payment which was refused. Also an additional claim for the loss of a Waggon. These claims Mr. Ellis requested me to forward to you. The claims will reach you about the time Maj. J. W. Armstrong expected to be at Washington and by whom they can be more particularly explained.

Silas D. Fisher having acted as Interpreter to a party of Emigrants Choctaws whilst removing to their new Country West, received a certificate for services rendered, and as I understand from him, forwarded his claims by Capt. Colquhoun Special Indian Agent to Washington City. He requested me to write to you to know whether he will be allowed any thing for his services. He states that

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that he signed Receipts for the amount due him which were forwarded by Capt. Colquhoun together with his letter of appointment and Certificate of Services

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obdt Servt
Jas H. Stephenson
A. A. G. Army
Disbg. Agt Choctaw Am.t

Emigrating Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City

P.M.

Your letter of the 21st January was not received until this day; and I think it probable that steps have been made at the lower Depots Mountain Fork and Old Spiller Court House since the 24th February, as I have understood that some Emigrants were near those Depots several days since— If such has been done, it will be noted on my Register and Muster Rolls and will be discontinued immediately— Of the facts I cannot inform you until next Mail

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Contingencies of the Choctaw Indians for the months of February 1834 by Lieut Jas R Stephenson U.S. Army Dis. Agt Choct. Rem.ls

Dates 1834	To whom Paid	For what Paid	Amt. Dlls	Cts	Remarks
Feby 26	Thomas Wafer	Superintending issue to Choctaws	20	00	Services discontinued

Dated February 28th 1834

Jas R. Stephenson
Lt U.S. Army
Disby. Agt Choctaw Rem.ls

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Rec'd. April 27th

Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty.
March 22nd 1835

Sir

Your communication of the 12th January has been received.

Agreeably to instructions from Capt J. Brown Principal Disbursing Agent, I herewith enclose a copy of my Report to him on the subject of claims against the United States on account of the Removal and Subsistence of Choctaws.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt.
Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Nation

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Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City
D. C.

Envg 104 Choctaws

Lt J. K. Stephenson
Fort Towson 18th July 1834

Enclosing Sundry Returns
&c viz. Acct Current of
Funds for purchase of
Cattle

Gen. Acct Current
with Hostile Tribes
Statement of Agency &c
Issues of Rations &c Acct
Statement of Choctaws &c
for 2. 9. 1834

Commutation pay roll
sent to Capt Brown for
examination, & then to be sent
to their Office &c &c

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Rec. 21 aug

Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty
July 18th 1834.

Sir

Herewith enclosed you will receive the following Returns &c. Viz: — Account Current on account of Funds for the purchase of Cattle received under appraisement — The $5000 received by the hands of Col. Porter is not entered in this Account Current; the receipt being dated since the close of the Quarter. — General Account Current, Abstracts of Disbursements for Contingencies and Transportation, — Quarterly Statements of Agents, Return of Property and Statements of Alterations &c. for the 2nd Quarter 1834. — The Commutation Pay Roll, which is the Voucher to my Abstracts of Disbursements of Transportation. I have sent to Capt Brown for his examination; after completing his examination I have requested him to forward it direct to you — There are still some Commutation Claimants to pay, who arrived previous to the 24th February — for the payment of those who arrived since that time and previous to the 1st of May, I shall forward an Estimate for Funds by this Mail, and immediately open new Rolls —

At the close of my Statements of Alterations &c for the 1st Quarter present year, I reported 17 Emigrants as having arrived after the 24th February, these 17 are included in the 259 Emigrants reported in my present Statements of Alterations as having arrived between the 24th February and 1st May 1834 —

over

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I have just furnished a complete official Roll of all the Emigrant Choctaws who have reported themselves to me and who have drawn Rations under my charge. This Roll can be forwarded whenever you desire it, my Register is all Sequire for reference.

The Emigrants are still supplied with the best Provisions the Country affords.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.
Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Nat.

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Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City.
(D. C)

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Statement, shewing the Alterations of the Emigrant Choctaw Indians by Births, Deaths &c. in the District ending the 30th day of June 1834 by Lieut Jas R. Stephenson U. S. Army Dis. Agt Choct Remt

No of Emigrant Choctaws drawing Rations Last Statement	To be deducted				Total Number	Remaining	To be Added				Total No Remaining and Will drawing Rations	
	No who have received their Land Scrip		Dead				Recd from last Statement	No of Emigrants Under the 10 Years Included in the 30th June 1833 and now registered	No of Emigrants who have attained the age of 10 Years and previous to the 30th June 1834			
1947	685	-	-		25	1262	-	1	259		1522	

Jas R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Distg. Agt. Choctaw Rem.

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Quarterly Statements of Agents and Aliens employed in the Rem
ending the Thirtieth day of June 1832 by Lieut James R. Stephens

No.	Names	Stations	Dates of Employment	Compensation	
1	P. McKinley	Fort Towson Dept	6th Dec. 1831	$30 per month	Ills
2	James Penney	Spanish Fork "	1st March 1832	$66 " "	Ap
3	Geo F. Lawton	" "	23d June 1833	$66 " "	a

…the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaw Indians in the Quarter…

…Stephenson U. S. Army Dis. Agt. Choctaw Rem.

…nsation	Remarks
…month	As Clerk for Lieut Sal R. Stephenson U. S. Army
"	Assistants
"	Ditto (Discontinued)

Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disby. Agt. Choctaw Rem.

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(Copy)

The following persons of the Choctaw Nation have made to the Agent Maj. D. McKenstrey their intention to remove to the West of the Mississippi the following description of Cattle, and which were to be supplied to them, after their Emigration thereto

Names of Choctaws	Districts	Oxen and Calves	Cows	Bulls	Steers	Heifers	Yearlings	To whom delivered	Remarks
Adam Nail	Pitchmarche	2	–	–	–	–	–	Capt Edgefoom & Col Burns.	
Noah Chustubbee	"	2	2	–	–	–	–		* Barren
Nacaahoma	Red Knoxville	1	–	–	–	–	–		
Benjamin James	Pushalatubbee	20	–	–	–	–	–		
Matthew McLaughlin	"	3	–	–	1	–	1		* 3 year old.
Andrew Kincaid	"	–	1	–	1	–	1		

Jas R. Thompson
Capt. & Ins.

Ency 106 Choctaw

Lt. J. R. Stephenson
Fort Towson
4th April 1834

Encloses Sundry Accounts which he explains—

Capt. Brown directed him not to close his Commutation payroll—there was but 486 to be paid—

In consequence of the Contractors not being prepared he was compelled to obtain 4 barrels pork from Mrs Coon Subs at at Fort Towson

His issues up to 1 May will soon be completed when the services of Mr Lawton will be discontinued

Rec'd 8 May

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
April 4th 1834

Sir

Herewith enclosed you will receive the following Returns &c. Viz:— Account Current on account of Funds for Cattle received under a requisition, General Account Current, Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies, Quarterly Statement of Agents, Return of Property and Statement of Allowances &c. For the 1st Quarter 1834— By reference to my General Account Current, you will find I am accountable to Government, for the sum of $2210 4/100, as a stand off against this sum, I will state that my Commutation Pay Rolls which are still open calls for $1790, leaving me accountable to Government at this time the sum of $414 4/100.— About the 18th January last I wrote to Capt Brown to know if I should close my Commutation Pay Rolls and open new ones, his reply was not to close them, at this time it was expected all the claimants would be paid in a few days, they have however been dilatory in their movements, and as yet there is about 48 to be paid.—

In January last the Contractors Fowler & Boyd at the Fort Towson Depot, were not prepared to furnish some New Emigrants with the meat part of their rations, and as there was no Beef to be procured immediately at the time, I was compelled to call on Lieut Alexander Asst Com. Sub. absent Towson for a few Barrels of Pork, from whom I received Four Barrels and One pound.— I think one method to

accounts for this Park except in my Property Returns wherein you will find it entered and accounted for — The failure was reported to Capt Brown on the back of my Abstract of Issues, together with the price of the Park at the Subsistence Store House. — At the close of my statement of Alterations &c you will find the No of Emigrants who have arrived and been registered since the 24th February last — I think it however more than probable that some small parties have arrived within a short time at the lower Depots, whose names as yet I have not been furnished with —

All my issues up to the 1st May will be completed in the course of a few days when the services of Mr Lawton (who is entered as an Assistant in my Quarterly Statements of Agents &c) will be discontinued — The issues to the Choctaws are uninterrupted, and I believe proceed to the satisfaction of all parties —

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obdt Servt
Jas R. Stephenson
Lt U. S. Army
Disbg Agt Choctaw Nat

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General Subsistence
Washington City

Estimate of Funds, required in the removal and Subsistence of the Choctaw Indians, for the quarter ending the 31st day of March 1834 with the applications in detail, intended to be made of them by Lieut. Jas. H. Stephenson U. S. Army Dis. Agt. Choctaw Rem.

Dates		Dlls	cts
1831			
1 Nov.	For the services of a Clerk for the 1st Quarter of		
"	1834 @ $50 per month	150	00
"	" " " Two assistants @ $66 per Month	396	00
"	" " of myself @ $61 per Month	183	00
	Contingencies Stationary &c	75	00
	Amount Required	804	00

Jas. H. Stephenson
1st U. S. Army
Dist. Agt. Choctaw Rem.l
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Quarterly Statement of Agents and others employed in the Removal o
Thirty first day of March 1834. by Lieut James H. Stephenson U. S. Arm

№	Names	Stations	Dates of Employment	Compensation	
1	P. McKinley	Fort Towson Dept	6th Dec. 1831	$ 50 per Month	As Clerk
2	James Penny	"	1st March 1832	$ 66. " "	Assistant
3	Geo. F. Lawton	Mount Vale	23d June 1833	" " "	do

in the Removal and Subsistence of Indians in the Quarter ending the
Johnson U. S. Army Dis. Agt. Choct. Remd.

ensation	Remarks
per month	As Clerk for Lieut. James R. Stephenson U. S. Army.
" "	Assistant Do
" "	Do.

Jas R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Distg. Agt. Choctaw Rem.d

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Statement, shewing the Alterations of the Emigrant Choctaw Indians by Births, deaths &c. in the Quarter ending the 31st day of March 1834. by Lieut. James K. Stephenson U. S. Army Dis. Agt Choct Rem.

No. Emigrants Choctaws drawing Rations last Statement	To be deducted					Remaining	To be added			Total No. Remaining and Now drawing Rations	No. of Emigrants who have arrived since 31st July 1834. and been Registered
	No. of Emigrants who have received their years Supplies	Transferred to Ft. Smith	Discharged		Total Deduction		Arrived from Ft. Smith	No. of New Emigrants joined since last Statement			
2241	480	—	4	—	484	1757	14	176	—	1947	17.

Jas. K. Stephenson
U. S. Army
Disby. Agt. Choctaw Rem.

Cherokees 107 Choctaws

Lt. J. R. Stephenson
Fort Towson 6th June 1834

The N.o of new Emigrants who have arrived and reported themselves since 24th. July is 240 - There are a few at the lower Depot who have not yet been registered - Some few have arrived since 1st. May whose names are also taken down -

Sandy Abt. Rs 6. for Contingencies for May

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No. 8 July

Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty
June 6th 1834.

Sir

Yours under date of the 23d April has been received. The No. of new Emigrants who have arrived and reported themselves since the 24th February last amounts to 240; there are still a few at the lower Depots. who have not as yet been registered. Some few have arrived since the 1st of May, whose names will be taken down to avoid any difficulty hereafter in case the provisions of the Treaty should be extended to them.

Herewith you will receive my Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies for May 1834.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obdt. Servt.
Jas. B. Stephenson
1st U. S. Army
Disby. Cpt. Choctaw Emt.

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City.

Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies of the A
Div. Agts. Chiefs Rent. in the month of May 1834.

Dates	To whom Paid	On what account
1834 May 1st	George K. Lawton	Services as Assistant Ch. Commissariat Clerk
" " 21st	Wm. B. Bagley	Superintending the issues at Horse Ba.

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of the Choctaw Indians by Lieut. James R. Stephenson U. S. Army

ounty		Amount Dlls	Cts	Remarks
ntia	Jack Leflore	198	00	Services discontinued
Hous	Bainie Leflore	10	00	Do Do
	Dolls.	208	00	

I Certify on Honor, that the above Abstract is just and true

J. R. Stephenson
1st. U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Rem.

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Camp 108 Charlotte

Lt. J. R. Stephenson

Fort Towson, July 11th 1834

Acknowledging the letter from the Dept. relative to the claims of John Ellis, & J. D. Fisher - and also a statement of Cattle to be purchased for Indians, & $8000 to make that purchase from Mr. Nelson Asks a Remt. for that sum in Triplicates

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Rec. 12 Aug.

Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty.
July 11. 1834

Sir

Yours under date of the 24th. May in relation to the claims of John Ellis, Silas D. Fisher and others has been received.

On the 8th Inst, I received by the hands of Col Rector your letter of May 5th together with statements of Cattle to be turned over to the Choctaw Emigrants of 1833 and 4 together with $8000 for the purchase of said Cattle immediately after finding the location of the several claimants (which can be ascertained in eight or ten days) I will advertise for the furnishing the Cattle. My Receipt for the $8000 was given in Triplicates, one of which I gave to Col. Rector, the others are herewith enclosed. I think the sum sent will be more than sufficient to supply the Cattle.

In consequence of indisposition my Quarterly Returns are necessarily detained until next Month.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
your Obdt Servt
Jas. R. Stephenson
1st Lt. U. S. Army
Subs. Agt. Choctaw Nat.

Emigration of Indians
Com. Genl. of Subs.
Washington City

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Emig 111 Choctaw

Lt. J. R. Stephenson

Fort Towson

Aug.t 1 1834

Sends his monthly Abst.

of disbursements & Mem.

of Contingencies for

July 1834

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Rec'd 1st

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
August 1st 1834.

Sir

Herewith enclosed you will receive my Monthly Abstracts of Disbursements for Contingencies for the month of July 1834.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obdt Servt
Jas R. Stephenson
Lt U. S. Army
Disbg Agt Choctaw Nation

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City

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A Monthly Abstract, of Disbursements for Contingencies of the Choctaw Indians, by Lieut Jas. R. Stephenson U. S. Army. Dis. Agt Choct Rem.ᵍ in the Month of July 1834.

Date	To whom Paid	For what Paid	Amount Dlls	Amount cts	Remarks
1834 July 21	Reuben Saylor	Superintending the issue at Horse Prairie Depot	2	11⅓	Discontinued

I Certify on honor that the above Abstract is just and true.

Dated August 1st 1834.

Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Dist.ᵗ Agt. Choctaw Rem.ᵍ

Emig 116 Choctaws

Lt. J. R. Stephenson

Fort Towson 22nd Aug 1834

Enclosing Abst. of Disb.
on acct. of transportation
of Indian Annuities
commencing 1st Oct 1833
up to date of this letter

The last Statement
included 3d Qr 1833

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Rec'd 28 Sept

Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty.
August 22d 1834

Sir

Yours under date of the 16th and 17th Inst. have been received.

According to your instructions. I herewith enclose an abstract of Disbursements on account of the Transportation of Indian Annuities &c. Commencing 1st of October 1833. up to the present time. My last Statement included the 3d Quarter 1833.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.
Jos. N. Stephenson
1st U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Nat.

Emigration of Indians
Com. Genl of Subs.
Washington City.
(D. C.)

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Abstract of Disbursements on account of Subsistence and Annuities of Cherokee Indians and Annuities from the Cherokee Agency West to 1833 to the Twenty second day of August 1834 (Inclusive

Dates	No. Vouchers	From whom received	Beef		Corn		Corn Meal		Salt	
			Pounds	Ounces	Bushels	Pecks	Bushels	Pecks	Bushels	
1833. Dec. 31st	1	Solon Henry	1	-	67	16	-	-	-	
" " "	2	Josiah S Drake	56	-	10	16	-	16	-	1
			56	-	78	-	-	16	-	1

S Certify on Honor

and Forage for Teamsters and Teams employed in the Transportation West to Fort Towson from the thirtieth day of September Inclusive)

Corn Meal Bushels	Corn Meal Pounds	Salt Bushels	Salt Pounds		Amount Dollars	Amount Cents
"	"	"	2		76	87½
"	16	"	16		14	49
"	16	"	16		91	36½

on Oath that the above Abstract is Correct

Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disby. Agt Choctaw Nat.

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Emig 121. Choctaws

Lt. J R Stephenson

Fort Towson
Sept. 3. 1834

Sends monthly abst.
of Subsist for Aug.

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Recd Oct 10

Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty.
September 3d 1834.

Sir

I herewith enclose my Monthly Abstract of
of Disbursements for Contingencies for August, 1834.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Jas R. Stephenson
Lt 1st U S Army
Disbg Agt Choctaw Emt

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City

Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies of the Choctaw Indians by Lieut. James R. Stephenson U. S. Army Dis. Agt. Choctaw Rank in the month of August 1834.

Date	To whom Paid	For what Paid	Amt Dlls.	Amt Cts	Remarks
1834					
August 5.	Reuben Troyler	Superintending the issue at Horse Prairie Depot	6	00	Service Discontinued
			$ 6	00	

Dated September 1st 1834

I Certify on Honor that the above Abstract is just and true

Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Rank

Comy 123 Choctaw

Lt. J. R. Stephenson

Fort Towson, 5 Oct 1834

Sends his acct for 3 gs.

&c.

In relation to property turned over to Geo. Fletcher

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V. Rec'd 4 Nov.

Fort Towson West of Arkl. Ty,
5th October 1834.

Sir

Herewith enclosed you will receive the following Returns &c. Viz: Account Current on account of Funds received for the purchase of Cattle received under appraisement. General Account Currently. Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies, Quarterly Statement of Agents, Statement of Alterations and Return of Property for the 3d Quarter 1834.

The greater portion of the Cattle received from the Cherokees under appraisement have been purchased and turned over to them, the whole will be completed in a few days.

Your letter of the 22d August has been received. This letter says that the receipt of George Fletcher to M. S. Waggon Master, for certain Articles of Public Property turned over to him by me, cannot be recognized. In relation to these articles, I will state that when I receipted for them, it was not my design to make myself accountable for them any further than to have them returned to Little Rock where they might again be applied to Public purposes. A few days after, the Public Waggons under the charge of George Fletcher being about to return to Little Rock, I directed him to take charge of the Articles (requiring his receipt,) and on his arrival at Little Rock to turn them over to Capt. Browne. Until the reception of your letter, I was not aware but this had been done.

I have written to Capt Browne on the subject of these Articles, requesting him to give you such information as he may possess on the subject.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully

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Your Obedt Servt
Jas. R. Hopkinson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disbg Asst Chickasaw Agt

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington City
D. C.

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Quarterly Statement of Agents and Others employed in the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaw Indians in the quarter ending the Thirtieth day of September 1834 by Lieut James R. Stephenson U. S. Army Dis Agt Choct Remk

No	Names	Stations	Dates of Employment	Compensation	Remarks
1	P. McKinley	Fort Towson Dept	6th Dec. 1831	$50 per month	Clerk for Lieut Col R. Stephenson U. S Army
2	James Penney	Mount Pak. "	1st March 1832	$66 " "	Assistant

Jas R. Stephenson
1st U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Rem.

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Statement shewing the Alterations of the Emigrant Choctaw Indians by Births Deaths &c. in the Quarter ending the 30th day of September 1834. by Lieut. James R. Stephenson U. S. Army Dis. Agt. Choctaw Remts —

Number of Emigrant Choctaws drawing Rations last Statement	To be deducted					Remaining	To be added			Total Number remaining who will draw Rations	
	No. of Choctaws who have received their Land Certificates	Transferred to Fort Smith	Dropped		Total Number		Joined from Fort Smith				
1522	450	-	-	-	450	1072	-	-	-	1072	

Jas. R. Stephenson
1st U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Rem.ts

Emig Co 1 2d Choctaw

Lt. James R Stephenson
Fort Towson, Nov 8th 1834

Sends his monthly
Abstract of Disbursements
&c &c. Contingencies for
Oct 1834

Rec'd 11 Dec.

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Rec'd Nov

Fort Towson, Choctaw Nation
9th Nov. 1834—

Sir

Herewith enclosed you will receive my Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies for the Month of October 1834—

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. 1st. U. S. Infantry
Disby. Agt. Choctaw Nation

"

Emigration of Indians
Comm. Genl. of Subs
Washington City
D. C.

Lt W R Stephenson

Monthly Abstract
of Disbursements for
Contingencies
October 1834

Charleston

Rec'd Nov

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies of the Choctaw Indians by Lieut James R. Stephenson U. S. Army, Disby Agt Choct Remk for the month of October 1834.

Date	To whom Paid	For what Paid	Amount Dolls	Amount cts	Remarks
1834					
October 7th	Reuben Traylor	Superintending the issue at Horse Prairie Depot	4	00	Services discontinued
"	Boyd & Co. Doak	Ditto Ditto of Corn at Fort Towson "	5	00	Ditto
			9	00	

Dated October 31st 1834

I Certify on Honor, that the above Abstract is just and true

J. R. Stephenson
Lt U. S. Army
Disby. Agt. Choctaw Nation

Copy 20 Choctaw
Lt. J Letter Van Horne
Fort Gibson
31st Dec. 1834

Enclosing Acct. &c for
4th qr. 1832 and the
Receipt of Capt. Brown
for 79 Cts. over paid
him &c.

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Rec.d 18 Feby

Fort Gibson 31 Dec. 1839

Sir

I enclose my account current and vouchers for 4th quarter of 1839.

I enclose also the receipt of Capt. J. Brown Pmr. Dis. agt. Rem. for seventy-nine cents, being the amount overpaid myself in 4th quarter of 1838. This closes my disbursements for Choctaws as referred to in your letter of 25 September 1839.

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt.

J. Mc Clure 2 Lieut 3 Inf.
Dis. Agt. C. Rem.

Gen. Geo. Gibson
Com. Gen. of Subsistence

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Received, Little Rock. A. T. Janr. 20th 1834. of Lieut.
J. Van Horn. U. S. A. Disbursing Agent for the Senecas
and Shawnee Indians, seventy-nine cents. being
on account of Appropriation for the Removal and
Subsistence of Choctaws: and for which sum I
and accountable to the Treasury of the United States.

(signed Duplicates.)

J. Brown Capt, U.S.A.
McIntosh Land Rund.

$ 79/100

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Sir Re.d 14 May Fort Smith Ark. Ter. 28 March 1834

In conformity with your instructions of 15 Sept. last, directing me to report to Capt. Brown for duty in subsisting Choctaws, as soon as my duties among the Senecas were completed; I wrote to Capt. Brown, that I should be available for duty among the Choctaws about the 1st Nov.r, and desiring him to inform me when my services would be required, in order that I might proceed without delay to such place as soon as my duties among the Senecas terminated. I received no instructions from Capt. B. on the subject up to 12 Jan.y last, when after having completed the duties assigned me among the Senecas and Creeks, and after making out my quarterly accounts of Asty. Sub Agents & Senecas; I deemed it my duty to repair to Little Rock, and report in person to Capt. Brown for his instructions, and to obtain funds for subsequent disbursements. Agreeably to Capt. Brown's order I proceeded on horseback the 26th, reached the Choctaw Agency on the 31st and relieved Lieut. Davis in charge of the Carnicle Depot. Lieut. Davis had contracted with a man to deliver on the following day the supplies for this depot for Feby. at 6 cents per ration. I opened the depot on the morning of the 1st. The Contractor had neither corn, beef, nor salt. Cattle were there belonging to another man who was to receive payment for them by agreement with the Contractor. I told the latter that he had not complied with his contract, and proclaimed it a failure. I purchased on the spot from J. McClellan sufficient salt for the issue, and 32 bush.s & 1/2 pts corn at $1 p. bush. I would give no more because it had been obtained by a former contractor from

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the shortans at that price, and 5th bush 2d 4 gets corn from an indian for
and thirty shortans at 5 & 6 bush. This corn was of excellent quality, and last
about central to the evidence of those who drew. After some inquiry it:
as to the ownership of the cattle I purchased from J. Bammond sufficient of the
for Feby. at 3 & 6 cents. They making fifty five withers hides, and at Sheri.
a cost of only eight cents p. citizen. There was in the ground about indian
a dozen whites, smugglers and Canadians almost a man. They and
had drilled the indians to say that they were to receive their corn from emp[loy]
certain shortans, when the contractor was to pay. That they were satisfied, which
and I need only pay the contractor. Besides that the intercourse laws
would thus be violated, by this illegal traffic; I would have failed in corn;
my duty to suffer these ignorant indians to give up their corn to such at $1.
men with only the necessary promise of receiving perhaps $1 p. bush, unfor.
while the contractor is paid 2 & 6 more in cash; and the indians the
without an assurance of receiving any thing. I determined to free it w
myself from them myself, and pay a good price. p. a

The depot is in a remote and very inaccessible place. At the time for fu
appointed for the issue, it would certainly have been entirely impossible to a ha
haul corn to the ruins. It will be recollected that ten cents, the lowest cents
bid for supplying this depot, was rejected. On the 12th Feby. I contracted
with J. B. Neal living near the depot, for supplying it from 1st March to 30 sold
Septr. next at 9 cents p. station. He has furnished security, which I am 6 p
informed is quite ample. At the particular request of the indians and Secre.
tribe

the contractor, I have agreed that the issue shall be made at Capt. McKinneys, a central point to the residence of those who live about five miles from the present site, on the opposite (South) side of the Potean. The Potean is often very difficult to cross; and as all the Cherokees who draw (except two small families) live on the South side, the Indians as well as the contractor in his supplies will be saved the labour and difficulty of travelling this five miles & crossing the Potean; which it is sometimes impossible to do. The U. States is to be at no expence however to build cribs, which the contractor himself proposed and agreed to do.

In making the issue for March, there was a partial failure of about 100 bush. corn, which with some difficulty I purchased from a Cherokee in the neighbourhood at $1.50 p. bush. As this is less than contract price, and as I thought it unjust that the contractor should reap advantage from his own neglect, while the government agent as well as the Indians, is put to much trouble and inconvenience, it was agreed between myself & the contr. that he should receive only 87½ cents for beef, 37½ p. bush. for salt, and 12½ p. bush. for such corn as he furnished. This issue was thus made for about 1,100, or eights and a half cents p. ration, instead of 1,300 which it would amount to at nine cents p. ration.

At I reached the depot 1st Sergt. I. issued for Sergt. to Lieut. Clair roll to 68 of Capt. McClean-tubbee's Co. Before making this next issue (March) I found that six of these were dead, two gone to Red River, and one born, leaving 65 to be issued to in March. These dead are chiefs of Capt. McClean-tubbee's family. Hah-nah-lee, of Wah-ah-tubbee's, Lah-ho-te-ma of Telie Bacca

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3-mah-ha-hoon-nah of Haum-pa-lah-y, She-she-mah-tubbee head of fam.y & Anna Pusley of Susan Pusley's family. Ik-tal-ho-yah of Ho-na-ho-ca-y family & Fo-ho-a of Capt. P. Nicentubbee's family gone to Red river; and Nah-nee of Haum-pa-lah's family born.

I have only just received a copy of yours of the 27 Inst. through Capt. Brown. I immediately turned over to Clerk the rolls &c pertaining to the Choctaw Debt, and am now on my way to Fort Gibson to enter upon the duties required of me among the Creeks.

I enclose my account current and Vouchers for 1st quarter of 1834, Quarterly return of Provisions with abstract &c, & a muster-roll or register of a party of Choctaw emigrants who arrived 18th Inst. I have forwarded an abstract of Dues for March to Capt. Brown.

I have the honour to be.
Your Ob.t Servt.
Jno. Ga. Pitchlynn
Disbursing Agent. C.C.

Gen. Ger. Gibson
Com. Gen.

Emigration
Letter 22
Ft. Jesup Louisiana
Ft. Gibson
Fort Smith
March 28th 34
Choctaw Agt. Transmits
Vouchers &c for 1st Qr 1834.
Rec'd 5 April
Answered
with Abstract Muster
Roll &c.

Joel Allaben

Capt. to Brown

1834

Relative a claim for subsisting & transporting Choctaws in 1832.

4th Nov. 1844.

PAID.

PAID

Rec'd. HF. MP. SEARCH NOV 15 1844.

Capt. Jacob Brown

U.S. Army

Little Rock

Ark.

See letter in relation to this claim to Genl. Jones dated 26 Jany. 1845. E

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The United States

To Cash Dr

1832			
Jany	For Subsisting 38 Choctaw Indians who were emi-grating under the Officers of the Government in the Winter of 1832 and were left destitute of provisions and the means to get to their new Country for furnishing 89 lb Rations at 8 cents per Ration	71	68
	For 18 Days while travelling with my two Ox Teams from 40 miles West of Monroe (La) to Little River a distance of 170 miles at $2 00 per day and 8 Days on a half returning	209	00
	For furnishing Ox teams with feed	35	00
		$ 318	68

Mr Waugh
Enter thereon a letter
to Brown inclosing me his
letter of 30 Nov 1834
and with the drawing to be placed
on the file of claims

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The United States of America.
Territory of Arkansas } ss
County of Hempstead }

Rei

Thomas Wafer this day personally appeared before me Allen N. Oakley an acting Justice of the peace in the county and Territory aforesaid, and being duly sworn states on oath that the within account for three hundred and eighteen dollars and 68 cents is just and correct.

Thomas Wafer

Sworn & Subscribed to before me this 21st day of November 1834.

Allen N. Oakley
J. P.

Rec'd in a letter from Capt. Brown 23d Dec

Washington D. C. the 11th Nov 1884

Dear sir Annexed to this you will recieve an account from me on the Government I was informed by Major J. M. Armstrong that I had to forward the same through you to the Subsistance Dept and also Lieutenat Stephenson informed me of the same as he was confident I could not get my pay any other way you will therefore by complying with the above request oblige your humble Servant

Joel Wolfe

Capt J. R. Brown
A. A. C. S. R.

Commissary Gen'l of Subs. LR 1835 A-B

Choctaw

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Mr. Arbuckle's

Claim for pay for Corn
Swamped in the Arkansas

= See letter to him dated
14th October 1835

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Ra. 20 May Duplicate.

Head Qr South Western Frontier
Fort Gibson 11th Jany 1835

Sir,

You will herewith receive copies of the Depositions of Holland Coffee, Robt M. French, and Isham Hamilton, and of the Certificate of John Bullard, George Fletcher, and Lieut G. L Rains, also a Copy of a letter addressed to me by the Firm of H. Coffee & Co under date of the 1st of April 1833, in relation to a quantity of Corn, which should have been delivered to Lieut Rains, who was employed to purchase the Choctaw Indians. Yet as our Agreement, or understanding was such that he was not bound to take my Corn, unless he required it for the Government, intending to [redacted] my Corn for the purpose, which I cannot have doubt it equally well, or better, to the Name of H. Coffee & Co and when I had reason to believe that Lieut Rains was purchasing Corn contrary to his Agreement with me, and this subject would not now be noticed, I have since received information from Mr Coffee that about the Month of Dec 1833 or Jany 1834, that he had offered to Lieut Rains, in consequence of my having informed him that he might have my Corn, provided the Lieut would give up his Agreement with me in relation to it, and that Lieut Rains had refused to do so — I did not doubt that the Government was in justice bound to pay me for the Corn shipped by the Sandy Hawk on the Arkansas River, as soon as I received the foregoing information, but had I not been unwell at the time, and subsequently absent from the Country, I would have brought this subject before you at a much earlier period.

The Certificate of Lieut Rains I do not understand, connected with his declaration, that if Mr French called on him (of which he has no recollection) to relinquish his Agreement with me (in relation to Corn) that he would have Agreeably to his present impression refused to do it. By this it seemed appear that he was under the impression that I was bound to keep the Corn under our Agreement, although I could at

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more than fifty cents pr. Bushell for it. For further information on this point, I request that you will refer to the Certificates of Mr. Bell and Mr. Fletcher.

The price I understood that Mr. Coffee would have given for my Corn (if my recollection does not deceive me) was seventy five cents pr. Bushel yet by his deposition it appears that he only offered fifty five & sixty cents and in this particular there is a small difference between his testimony and that given by my Overseer.

I am altogether unwilling to have a controversy with an officer of my Regt, or of the Army in relation to Money Matters, and therefore refer the accompanying papers to you, and in the event, I am entitled to consideration that they give me a just claim to pay for the Corn I have lost, in consequence of my Agreement with Genl. Rains. I request that you will [order payment] to be made accordingly.

I would have obtained the Depositions of those who have given their Certificates, had it been practicable here to have commanded the Services of a Civil Officer. There will be found in enclosed Papers Certificates in favorable to my claims.

I request that you will be so good as to reply to this communication at an early period.

I am Sir
With the Highest Respect
Yr. Obt. Servt.
Jas. Thornton

To,
Brigd. Genl Geo. Gibson
Commissary Genl. of Subs.
Washington City

Fort Gibson Oct. 4th 1835

I have not yet received a reply to the foregoing, and therefore have ~~any further Statements~~ to submit a Certificate, and regard it proper to add to ~~my Statement~~ that by a reference to my Papers, I perceive that I mentioned in a letter to Lieut. Harris under date of the 28th of April 1834. that Mr. Coffee would have given Twenty five Cents pr. Bushel for my Corn, that was the Sum I believed he had offered. I consider this mistake from an incorrect recollection of what my Overseer had stated to me immediately after the Purchase by the Arkansas River in June 1833.

A. Arbuckle

Ems 89. Choctaw

F. W. Armstrong
Choct. Agency
Jany 22d. 1833 -

Has rec'd the letter of 6. Dec'r enclosing a copy of a letter from Saml. Garland to Hon R. M. Johnson.

He sends a copy of a letter from himself to Saml Garland & wishes it to be shown to Col. Johnson

Rec'd 6 March

Rec'd 6 March

Choctaw Agency Jan'y 22d 1835

Gen'l Geo. Gibson

Comd. Gen. Sub.

Sir

Your letter of December 6th, enclosing the copy of a letter from Sam'l Garland to the Hon. Rich'd M. Johnson, has come to hand. I herewith enclose the copy of a letter from me to Sam'l Garland, which will be a sufficient explanation on that subject. Please shew the copy of my letter to Sam'l Garland, to Col Johnson.

I have the honor to be
Your Obd't Serv't

F. W. Armstrong
Ch. Agt

See Choctaw file for the enclosed letter to Garland

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Choctaw Trs

Copy of a letter from

Saml Garland to

Majr R. M. Johnson -

in relation to Commutation for

removal west of the Mississippi -

Dated Choctaw Agency

Nov 10. 1834

See letter dated Dec 26. to

R. M. Johnson

See letter from F. W. A to C. G. S.

22 Jany 35

To be addressed to

Plymouth,

Lowndes County.

Miss.

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(Copy.)

Chickasaw Nation,
Nov. 10th 1834.

Honorable Sir,

Having received your kind favour and observed its contents. And I am sorry to say to you, that before your instruction come to hand, directed to myself and Majr. Pitchlyn, we had sent the boys on to the School, agreable to the order of Mr. Walker and his instructions; and made our Bill to be presented before the Secretary at War. Sir, the subject which I wish to present before at the Setting of Congress is this. Agreeable to the arrangements made by government for the Choctaw Emigrations, each family moving West of Mississippi on their own expenses, they were to have $10 dollars a head, for which I have never received a cent towards it. I moved there and remained there 8 months in the nation, for which I can prove, if necessary, and produce certificate to the effect. Majr. Armstrong has acted very ungenerous towards me on this subject. I see no reason why

he

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he should not pay me the money, I being a native and my wife also. If he has any objections for not paying me, it would be this: I quit the Nation and retired to the State of Miss. But that would be a very poor apology because, if I understands the nature of the treaty, that we are not compelled and bound to live in that country after we get our there. So I think when I arrived there he ought to paid me.

You will from this see how many I moved in my family. Fall of 1832, 15 Slaves on my own expenses, and myself, @ 10 dollars a head $ 160.00. Then my wife and child and 2 Slaves came on after I had started, with their carriage, and paid their passage and expenses the whole distance. Cost $75.00

160.00

$235.00

The damages I sustained on the road is greater, but I merely call for my right.

If any thing can be done I am confident you will have it done.

Col.a Rh. M.c Johnson, } Your friend,
Washington City } (Signed) Sam.l Garland

Direct your letters, Plymouth, Lowndes County, Miss.

Copy F. W. Armstrong to Lawd. Garland

Transmitted to C. G. Sah. in a letter dated Jany 22, 1835

Copy

From Major Armstrong
To Mr. Garland

Choctaw Agency Jany 20. 1835

See Letter to R. M. Johnson
7 Feby 1835.

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(Copy) Choctaw Agency Jan 20, 1835

Mr Garland

Sir

I have received from Genl Gibson a copy of your letter to Col Johnson, in which you complain of me, for not having paid you the amount due you for commutation. Your letter is dated the 10th November last, and the December before which is eleven months since the money due you was received by your brother-in-law, Peter Pitchlin, upon your own letter, the greater part of which money Mr Gregg received from Pitchlin in payment of your own debts. Therefore you see that you have mis-stated the fact, unless Pete has failed to inform you but you knew that the debts you owed here was to be paid out of that money.

I will next mail send a copy of this letter to your friend in Congress, Col Johnson, he will then be easy, I suppose, as far as your interest is concerned. I will be glad at all times for my acts to be investigated; and feel well satisfied that the examination will always prove that I have done justice in every instance between the Choctaws and the Government, although I am aware that you think differently.

I am Respectfully Yours &c

(signed) F. W. Armstrong

C. A.

Choctaw

Ref.d Mar: 6 1835

From
Major J. W. Armstrong
Choc: Agency Jany 27
1835

Relative to acct in favor of
Capt. McClellan for Extra
Services as Sub: Agt

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Refered March 6th

Choctaw Agency Jan 27, 1835

Elbert Herring Esqr
Com of Indn Affairs

Sir

While in the City last Spring, the Secretary of War acknowledged an account in favor of the late Sub-Agent, Capt Daniel McClellan, for extra services, in conformity with Major Eatons' letter & my report. The account was handed to Mr Easton, in Genl Gibson's Department, to see if there was any funds to pay it out of. Mr Easton thought that it could be paid from a balance of $11,000 unexpended on account of the Choctaw Removal. I left the account signed by the Secretary, authorizing the payment, in the hands of Mr Easton, who was to have attended to it, but I suppose in the great press of business, he has omitted it. the Captain is entitled to his pay and is now urging me to have the same forwarded in some way here, so that he may get his money.

I have the honor to be
Yours Obt Svt

F. W. Armstrong
C. A.

This could not be attended to till the 14th Sept. 1835 — Mr McClellan allowed by Secy of War $150. per annum for 3 years —
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Creek Agency May 21st 1833

Col. M. Arbuckle.

Sir.

I have this day entered into a contract with Mr. Lillard to deliver a quantity of Corn below for the supply of the Choctaws in which contract I have by your permission (there being no other chance) promised the Keel Boat at your place for the transportation of the same.

The Indians are in great want of the Corn & it is the only mode by which I can procure it. Mr. Lillard will deliver the Boat to you again in good order, unavoidable accidents excepted.

Very respectfully
Your Mo. Obt. Svt.
S. S. of Mr. Clelland
Asst. Agent.

"True copy:
L. J. Miles.
Lieut. 1st Regt U.S. Dgs.

Copy

D. Mc Clellan,

Bill for [illegible] Services in Charleston
Western Circuit — for 3 Years ending
1 Nov 1831 Sandy 1 Nov 1834 at
£150 p. Ann £4 50 =

" By allowance the Lord
1/16 — 4 p 1 M. 11 3 s.

" Lord Letter p. Capt Bann
14 Sept. 1835 —
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The **United States,**

To David McClellan Dr.
late Sub Agt Choctaws.

Date.		Dollars.	Cents.
1835	For extra Services rendered in the Choctaw Country West, – in locating the emigrants, assisting to subsist them, travelling from the Agency to Red River, and in performing the functions generally of the Agent during his absence:– being thus involved in great responsibility and performing labors not contemplated by my appointment of Sub Agent – for three years commencing 1st. November 1831 and ending 1st November 1834, at one hundred and fifty dollars per ann. - - - - - - - - -	$	450	00

Received 183

of Captain Jacob Brown P.S. Disb. Agent of the United States for the Removal and Subsistence of Indians, Four hundred and fifty – Dollars, and _____ Cents, in full of the above Account.

Allowed
(signed) Lew Cass

Emig 94 Choctaw

Referred to Mar 35

Nashville June 28. 1833

From Maj

F. W. Armstrong.

Recommends additional compensation to Maj McClelland —

Answered

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Referred March 4 1835
with other papers connected with
Mr. McClellan's Claim

Nashville
24 June 1833

Elbert Herring Esqr

Comr of Indian Affairs

Sir I have the honor, now of answering your letter covering one from Capt McClellan on the subject of increased duties & pray as Subs agent for the Chactaw Nation

Capt McClellan asserts substantially increased among to those anticipations of the Indians And it is Evident that Gov Coffee did intend him an additional allowance on account of [redacted] salary

The country over which the Capt has been obliged to travel is a wilderness between the two Rivers Tea &

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and Arkansas — a distance of
150 Miles. encountering many
hardships not performing by
any such agent —

I am therefore
clearly of the opinion that
he should be allowed the
sum of two hundred & fifty
dollars as additional Salary
commensurate with the usual
Allowance of such agents —

I have the honor
to be your Obt
Servant
T. H. Crawford

P.S. (Rey.)
From the commence
ment of the emigration
under the last Treaty

Choctaws

Choctaw Agency
June 4. 1835

Major F. W. Armstrong

Requests copies of the abstracts of disbursements & issues made by Lt. Bains to the Choctaws.

Refer to Comm. Gen. pub. Prop.
Byrd
Chamber
Secretary
Aug. 4. 1835

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Choctaw Agency 1835

From
Major F. W. Armstrong
Choctaw Agency
June 4 1835

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Com: Ind. Aff. Through the
Referred by Adjt Genl
Augt 6

Choctaw Agency June 4, 1835.

Elbert Herring Esqr
Commr of Indn Affairs

Sir

I presume I am correct in asking through your Office, a copy of the abstracts of disbursements and issues made by Lieut Harris, while he was acting as Disbursing Officer and issuing Commissary to the Choctaws. A copy of his returns will be necessary in order to investigate properly, the charges made by me against him, of his having misapplied by his putting to his own use the supplies belonging to the United States. I suppose the Commissary General will consider that my call for the proof wanted, should come through your Office, as the only organ of correspondence proper for me, upon my Indian duties, being now entirely unconnected with the subsistence and removal of Indians. A reference to the charges preferred against Lieut Harris will shew the abstracts asked for, as necessary in the prosecution. I will furnish the Judge Advocate when he is known, with the names of the witnesses; and perhaps some additional charges.

I have the honor to be
Your Obt Servt

F. W. Armstrong
a. d. m. g.

Agency Choctaw

Refers to

Maj. F. W. Armstrong

Choctaw Agency

June 19. 1835

says in consequence of the Choctaws remaining [illegible] there are on hand at Ft. Towson rifles (some damaged) surplus powder, lead & flints besides some at Agency. — Wishes instructions as to their disposal

Respectfully referred to the Commr. Genl. Indn. Affairs

Office Indn Affairs
July 21 1835

26 Augt

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Referred by Com. Ind. Affs
28th August

Choctaw Agency June 19. 1835

Elbert Herring Esqr
Comm^r of Indian Affairs
Sir

In consequence of the number of Choctaws who have remained east of the Mississippi, there is on hand at Fort Towson a number of rifles, some few of which are damaged. There is also on hand a surplus of powder, lead & flints, besides a number on hands at this place, among which, there are about 200 rifles turned over to me by Capt McClellen the late Sub Agent, of various kinds, a portion are yagers, such as were used by the Riflemen, in the regular army during the last war.

I intend on the last of this month to have the whole inspected; and as the treaty stipulations for the Choctaws having been carried into effect, I wish instructions touching their disposal.

In giving me instructions it may be proper to bear in mind that it costs $4. per cent, or $.4 per day, for the hire of teams and they to be furnished every thing on their route, in the transportation of these arms.

I have the honor to be
Your Obt Servt

J. W. Armstrong
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Creek Choctaw

Genl. M. Arbuckle
Fort Gibson
11th Jany 1833

Enclosing sundry
documents relative
to a Verbal contract
made with Lt Ramsay
for Corn for Indns:

Rec'd

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Rec'd July 12th.

Head Qrs S. Western Frontier
Fort Gibson 11th Leap 1835.

Sir,

You will herewith receive Copies of the depositions of H. Coffee. Robt M. French, and Wham Harrell, and of the Certificate of John Gillard, Geo. Fletcher and Levi G. Rains, also a Copy of a letter addressed to me by the Firm of H. Coffee & Co. under date of the 19th of April 1833. In relation to a quantity of Corn, which I believed Chas had sold to Levi Rains who was employed to subsist the Choctaw Indians, Yet to our agreement or understanding was such that he was not bound to take my Corn, unless he required more than he had then put = chased or had on hands. I determined not to have = lect the Government in relation to the Corn I had professed by keeping my Corn, for the purpose when I caused Rains Guard it equally well, or better to the Shares of H. Coffee & Co. and when I had reason to believe that Levi Rains was purchasing Corn contrary to his agreement with me, and this subject would not now be noticed had I not received information from Mr Coffee about the Month of Dec. 1833. or Jan. 1834. That he had applied to Levi Rains. in consequence of my having informed him that he might have my Corn provided the Govt would give up his Agreement with me

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in relation to it, and that Genl Rains had refused to do so.

I did not doubt that the Government was in justice bound to pay me for the corn that I sold, by the Overseer of the Cahawba River, as soon as I received the foregoing information, and had I not been unwell at the time, and consequently absent from the Country, I would have brought this subject before you at a much earlier period.

The Certificate of Genl Rains I do not understand, connected with his declaration that if Mr French called on him (of which he has no recollection) to relinquish his Agreement with me (in relation to Corn) that he would have agreeably to his present impression, refused to do so. By this it would appear that he was under the impression that I was bound to seek the Govt, under our Agreement although I could obtain more than fifty Cents pr. Bushel for it. For further information on this point, I request that you will refer to the Certificates of Mr. Collard, and Mr. Hatcher.

You will understand that Mr. Coffee and I have given for my Corn (if my recollection does not deceive me) only twenty five Cents pr. Bushel. But by his Depositions it appears that he only offered fifty Cts and a further Cents, [illegible] this Gentleman there is a broad difference between his Testimony & that given by my Overseer.

I am altogether unwilling to have a controversy with an Officer of my Regt, or of the Army in relation to

Money Mailing. and therefore refer the accompanying Papers to You. and in the event You are of the opinion that they give me a just claim to pay, for the Corn I have lost in consequence of my Agreement with Lieut. Rains (~~only in duplicate~~) I request that You will order payment to be made accordingly.

I am sure I have attained the Confidence of those who have given their Confidence, And it shall be my Study, Sir, to have commanded the Services of a Civil Officer, that will be favourable in due time provided Your decision is favorable to my Claim.

I request that You will be so good as to reply to this Communication at an early Period. —

I am Dr. Sir
With the Highest Respect
Yr. obt. Servt.
Chs. Ashworth
Brigt. Genl. U. S. Army

To, Brigt. Genl. Geo. Gibson
Commissary Genl. of Subs
Washington City

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Letter from
A. Coffee & Co.
19th of April 1833.

Offer of 50 do. purchase for
all the Arbuckle's Corn.

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Rec.d 12 July

Fort Smith . A. T.
April 14.th 1833.

Col. . H. Arbuckle,
Sir,

We will give you fifty cents pr bushel, for all the Corn you have to sell, pay half Cash, the balance in six Months. If you should take up with our offer, please write to us by the first mail.

Respectfully Your Ob.t Serv.t
Signed, H. Coffee & Co.

I certify that the above is a
true copy from the original.
(W. Laurie)
Lieut.t 7.th Infr.

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Recd. 1 July

Fort Gibson.

Sir.

28 Apl. 1834.

I was informed some ~~time~~ since by Mr Coffee who had applied to me to purchase the Corn I had on hand last year and who I refused selling to, in consequence of my having sold it to you, as I believed - that he had call'd on you to know if you would require my corn as he wished to make the purchase of it himself, in the event you had no occasion for it, and that you opened him when he so call'd on you, that you had purchased my Corn and would not relinquish the contract you had made for it.

The corn above refered to you am apprized was destroyed by the Freshet in the Arkansas River in June last and but a few days after Mr Coffee's Boat was at my place and when he would have given seventy five cents p. bushel for the Corn - did not my overseer Mr Harrell in compliance with my Instructions refused to let him have it, as the Corn was sold to you for public use. Under these circumstances you cannot be surprised that I shall expect to be paid for the Corn lost, which Mr Harrell states was not less than fifteen Hundred Bushels. Yet as it is probable that I should ~~have~~ obtained more than twelve hundred Bushels it is not my intention to charge the public with a greater quantity, and as it will save much trouble I request that you apply at once to the Government for compensation for the corn I lost, in consequence of the Contract, or agreement I made with you. and I therefore request that you will (by the return of Mail) furnish me with your Certificate of our agreement and of the Facts in relation to the Call made

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on you by Mr. Coffee - on the subject of my Com.

It is my intention to accompany your Certificate with the Deposition of Mr. Coffee and that of Mr. Harrell.

I am sir,
Very respectfully
Yr. Obt.
Sgd. M. Arbuckle.

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Lieut. G. I. Rains
Choctaw Agency
Near Fort Smith

"True Copy
Sgd. J. Phillips
Asst. Q. M. Gen. Army.

P.S. It is proper that I should refer you to my letter of the 21st of April 1838. to correct an error in my letter (of which this is a copy) to Lieut. Rains, in relation to the funds I could have obtained for my Com.

M. A.

Wm. Isham Harrell's

Deposition

26th May 1834

Was Gen. Arbuckle's answer, and no other
Heb nobody but Williams knew the Law
- That Coffee offered him $25 dt for Arbuckle
if he could not consistent with his safety
kill - The conversation a few days afterwards
Swept away - He positive that Arbuckle
could have spared 1200 Indians

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Territory of Arkansas } This day Isham Harrell personally ap-
County of Crawford } peared before me Gibson Stagner a Justice
Big Creek Township } of the peace within and for said County
above mentioned and after being duly sworn deposeth and saith
that he has had the charge of the plantation of Mathew Arbuckle in
Crawford County A.T. and possession thereon from about the 17th of
November 1832 until this date and that he received written in-
structions from said Arbuckle about the 15th of April 1833
requiring him not to sell any of the Corn on said plantation
as he said Arbuckle had sold it to G.C. Rains who then
as this deponent believes was subsisting Choctaw Emigrants
and that the corn would be delivered to him alone and this
Deponent further states that Mr. H. Coffee of Fort Smith
arrived at the plantation of said Arbuckle about the 8th of
June 1833 on board of a Keel Boat and requested this Depo-
nent to sell him the Corn the said Arbuckle had to spare
and offered to pay to him Fifty two and a half cents per Bushel
at the Cribs this Deponent having received different instruc-
tions he could not comply with the offer of Mr. Coffee and
the Corn was shortly away in a few days thereafter by the
unusual high rise in the Arkansas River in June last and further
this deponeth saith that he is very positive the said Arbuckle
had at that time at least Twelve hundred bushels of corn that
he could have spared and further this Deponent saith not. Sworn
and subscribed to before me this 26th day of May A.D. 1834.

(Signed) Gibson Stagner {J.P.} (Signed) Isham Harrell

Territory of Arkansas } I Alexander McLean Clerk of the Circuit
County of Crawford } Court of Crawford County do hereby certify that
Clerks Office. Towit } Gibson Stagner before whom the within and fore-
going Affidavit of Isham Harrell purports to have been taken was at
the time of taking said Affidavit and now is an acting Justice of the
Peace within and for Crawford County duly Commissioned and qualified
according to law and full faith and credit are due all of his official acts
as such.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
Seal of Office this 27th day of May A.D. 1834.

I certify that the above is a
true copy from the Original
W. Seawell
Sec. of State.

Signed A. McLean. Clk. 102

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Choctaw Agency

Col. Jh. Sebastian May 25th 1834.

Sir,

Your communication of 28th April last, directed to Fort Smith, forwarded from there to this place on 12th May, would have been attended to, the following Mail (i.e. the last) had I not been prevented by an earlier & new arrangement of the Mail.

I must confess Sir that I was surprised at your requirements, which were as unlooked for, as unexpected; but I have every wish to assist you in getting paid for the Corn you lost in last great rise of the Arkansas river.

My Certificate of our understanding can be of but little service to you, as I never after our last conversation on this subject sent for any corn, or after the parties I sent to your place & were refused.

Not remembering ever to have had any communication with Mr. Coffee about the purchase of your corn, but of Mr. Oliveris which was refused him, I am disposed to think that he has confounded the subjects.

Had I thought that there was any foundation for your claim, it would have been promptly acknowledged, unsolicited & notwithstanding yours of 28th April I persuaded myself to be of the opinion, that it was your object to show to the Department, that as you had lost your corn while waiting for me to send for it, and thereby purchase it for Government, you ought to be recompensed, upon this ground, and this only can I assist you, for you surely must recollect that I never positively agreed to take one bushel of your corn which I did not send for.

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The proposition was made me by yourself, unsolicited that you would let me, or the Department, have your Corn if it was needed, first, at the lowest price, at which corn was sold. That lowest price was 40 cents per bushel, but as I had given 50 cents, which then was the highest price I gave it to you be-lieving this to be about its proper value.

When having sent about 15 wagons & teams for more corn under this agreement, it was refused, which certainly displeased me, in as much as these things were of much Expense to Government. Some weeks or months afterward happening at Crawford C. H. I there found in the Mail for me, a letter directed to that place from you, re-calling your proposition - refusing to sell any more corn at 50 cts. per bushel; but a short time previous to this letter, I met you again at Fort Smith, when you were made acquainted with the above facts, you again offered your corn at the lowest price, provided it were more than 50 cents per bushel, I again promised if your corn should be wanted to send for it. But the U. S. Teams having gone to Red River and the Wagon Master having sent me word that as he had found good range between this & Red River he would stop awhile to recruit and corn being needed for their subsistence, Mr. John McClelland, issuing Commissary, was sent, on information from Dr. Patton that corn could be bought above Pheasant Bluff for less than 40 cents and a letter also was received on the same subject. The result in that case you may recollect.

I have thus gone into particulars for your better satis-faction to any part of which, or to all if necessary I will certify on a seperate paper if you wish it, and must remain with respect & esteem Your most Obt. Sert.

Sej: G. J. Rains
St Lucia Agent Ins Con. de Lute.

True copy.
S. Miles.
Lieut. 1st Regt. Inf. U.S.A.

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Choctaw Agency
May 31st 1824

Sir.

It having become necessary that the following facts be known to meet demands, which may appear before the Jud. Dept. I have thought it best to write you the following particulars, what part of which to consider public & what part private is left to your discretion wholly.

As a candid development of facts is intended I have concluded to address this to your confidence unrestrained, while I profess the highest regard for the individual concerned, any object being only to put you in possession of information which may be required.

Some time in the last quarter of 1822, a proposal was made me by Col. Mr. Arbuckle to buy a portion of his corn at his farm about 32 miles below this place. Should I want any for subsistence of Indians or U. S. Teams, and that he would take the lowest current price, in the country for it. I agreed to take what might be needed, and under that understanding a short time afterwards, sent down the public wagons to his place and obtained 1157/4 Bushels. When I again sent down the Wagons for more to my surprise it was refused by his Overseer, who stated, that he had been instructed by Col. Arbuckle not to let it go.

Having no forage to feed the teams even on their return here Jno. McClellan Jfs. Com.y purchased 306 bushels at

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at 45 cents per bushel in that neighbourhood of Mr. Murphey
on his own responsibility otherwise the trip would have been
a loss to Government of about $400 including the value of the
Waggons and Teams per diem.

The Overseer a Mr. Harrah was again and again called
on by my agents but he would not let them have the cows.

As I remembered no limit to the quantity in our
understanding, except that prescribed by the wants of the
Dept. a what Col. Arbuckle could spare, I was not in
the best spirit of accommodations, when we again met in
Capt. Stuarts quarters, at Fort Smith.

I then informed him of the above facts, and he said
he thought that he had written to me that he had directed
his Overseer not to let any more cows go, at 50 cents; &
then again proposed to let his cows go at the current price
provided it were more than 50 cents. I did not tell him
that I would take it, for I believed, cows could be ob-
tained at that or a less price cows, in that neighbourhood
as I had been informed as much, and had but just bought
them at 45 cents per bushel from a Mr. Murphey & Oliver
and at 40 cents from Mr. Dillard; but that if I wanted
his cows, I would send for it, candidly believing, that I
never should want it, at the price he would require. and
with this understanding we parted.

With the cows obtained above the Teams had gone to Red
river with treaty articles except 3 otherwise employed when

accompanied by Jno. McClellan J.P. Comy I visited the neighbourhood of the Colonels place to buy corn as I had understood some was to be had for 50 cents or less, and also to ascertain what was the current value of it, but having discovered that no means of transportation could be obtained in the country, having been deprived of a Keel-Boat by the Military taking her ([redacted]) though she belonged to the Ind. Dept. and afterwards sinking her at Fort Smith when she was carried away on a rise of the Arkansas river and from other facts, I sent Jno. McClellan J.P. Comy into the Creek-Nation to purchase corn to subsist the Choctaws during the month of June 1833.

As McClellan passed the Choctaw Agency he obtained a letter from the Sub Agent, Capt D. McClelland to Colo. Arbuckle at Fort Gibson, requesting the loan of a Keel-Boat, & I presume stating the reason of the application but I have no copy of this letter (Memoranda)

At Fort Gibson from information obtained from some of the Officers Mr McClellan was induced to give up the direct object of his mission, which was to see a certain Creek Indian and purchase his corn, which was afterwards purchased by a Mr French at 40 cts. per Bush even after the corn plow, and he entered into an agreement with a Mr Dillard, to deliver at this place at Pheasant Bluff, by 6th June all the corn required, at 75 cts per bush. provided Mr McClellan obtained the loan of one of the Public

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4 Keel boats at Ft. Gibson. ([redacted]) (see note *)
This was promised by Colo. Arbuckle provided he would become responsible for the Boat. This was done by the Chickasaw, but being ignorant of Military matters & supposing all property of Government alike, he excepted the unavoidable accidents of the river, and when the time had rolled round to within 3 days of the expiration, an Express forwarded by Mr. Dillard, brought information that Col. Arbuckle refused to let him have the Keel Boat, & consequently he could not comply with his bargain.

I was thunderstruck — why had not this information been given before when I would have had time to obtain food for upwards of 2500 people? (see note 3)

The great rise of the Arkansas river soon after commenced and had it not been for a God-send in a Keel Boat, which arrived here during the overflow loaded with corn for which I paid $1.10 then an enormous price per bushel* there might have been distress for food here little short of famine; this rise destroyed Col. Arbuckle's corn with some other belonging to a Mr. Oliver.

Mr. Oliver had been bound in writing to deliver some 300 Bushels of corn when called for, but having lost his corn, I did not wish to distress him by sending for any - he afterwards came here to get paid for what he had lost, but I presumed having been told that I was indignant at it, he did not even mention the subject to me, and I

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have since ascertained that he had not the corn before the overflow, had I have sent you it.
So much for the subject matter of a year since - - -
A few days since I rec'd from Col. Hinckle and Capt J Stuart at Fort Smith the following.

"Sir. Fort Gibson April 28th. 1834.

"I was informed some time since by Mr. Coffee, who had ap-
"plied to me to purchase the corn I had on hand last year and who
"I refused selling to, in consequence of my having sold it to you, as I believed
"that he had called on you to know if you would require my corn (as he wished
"to make the purchase of it himself in the event you had no occasion for it)
"and that you apprised him when he called on you that you had purchased my
"Corn, and would not relinquish the contract you had made for it.
"The corn above refered to you are apprised was distroyed by the freshet
"in the Arkansas river in June last and but a few days after Mr. Coffee's
"Boat was at my place and when he would have given seventy five cents
"per bushel for the Corn had not my Overseer Mr. Harrell (in compliance with
"my instructions) refused to let him have it as the corn was sold to you for public
"use. under these circumstances you can not be surprised that I shall expect
"to be paid for the Corn lost which Mr. Harrel states was not less than fifteen
"hundred Bushels, yet as it is probable that I would not have spared more than
"twelve hundred Bushels, it is not my intention to bother the public with an
"greater quantity, and as it will save much trouble, I regard it best to apply at once
"to the Government for Compensation for the Corn I lost in Consequence of the Contract, or
"agreement I made with you, and I therefore request that you will (by the
"return of mail) furnish me with your certificate of our agreement to and

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"of the facts in relation to the call made on you by Mr. Coffee on the
"subject of my com.

It is my intention to accompany your certificate with the Deposition
of Mr. Coffee and Mr. Harrold

To Lieut G G Rains
Choctaw Agency
Near Fort Smith

I am Sir
very respectfully
Yr. Obt. Servt.
Signed Thos Ashenckle

"A true Copy"
G G Rains Lt. & Dis. Agt.

"Sir

"Fort Smith 28th. May, 1834

"Col Ashenckle left this on 26th. Inst for his plantation, He intends
"to try to recover Pay for his cow which he considered to be sold to you last
"Summer for the United States. He is of the opinion that you can with
"every degree of consistency and propriety assist him in that particular
"by giving him a proper statement entered into between you and himself in re-
"lation to his cow - He will be here again about Sunday or Monday next
"on his way to Fort Gibson, and would be glad to see you. I think that
"Government ought to pay him for the cow, and your statement on
"the subject might be of great benefit to him and at the same time
"do no injury to yourself, If you agreed to take the cow for the U. S.
"He has a just right to expect pay for it, and if the Government should
"refuse to pay him, Or if you should fail to give such attention
"to the subject as he thinks you ought to do - He will sue you and
"The General impression is that he would recover the pay from
"you. He is collecting testimony now and I think has been advised

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"to see you. I do not think however that it is his wish
"to do so, if he can help it. I am Sir very respectfully
your Obt. Servt.

exposition "Lieut J G Nairs
" the Justice
"a true copy" J. G. Nairs Lt. &c

} Signed } John Stuart

Answer to Col. Arbuckle -

- dated Choctaw Agency May 29th 1836

Sir. Your communication of 28th April last, directed
to Fort Smith and forwarded from thence on 12th May to
this place, would have been attended to, the following mail,
(i.e the last) had I not been prevented by an earlier and new
arrangement of the mail.

I must confess Sir that I was surprised at your
requirements, which were as unlooked for as unexpected,
but I have every wish to assist you in getting paid for the
Cow you lost in last great rise of the Arkansas river.

My certificate of our understanding can be of but little
service to you, as I never after our last conversation on this
subject sent for any cows, or after the public teams went
to your place and were refused.

I not remembering ever to have had any communication with
Mr Copper about the purchase of your cow, but of Mr Glover's,
which was refused, I am disposed to think that he has con
-founded the subjects.

Had I thought that there was any foundation for your
claim, it would have been promptly acknowledged, and solicited
and notwithstanding yours of 28th April I persuaded myself

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To be of opinion that it was your object to show to the Department that as you had lost your cow, while waiting for me to [redacted] it, and thereby purchase it for Government, you ought to be recompensated: Upon this ground, & this only, can I assist you, for you surely must recollect that I never positively agreed to take one bushel of your corn, which I did not need for.

The proposition was made me by yourself unsolicited, that you would let me have your corn, if it be needed, first at the lowest price at which corn was sold — That lowest price was 40 cents per Bushel, but as I had given 50 cents, which then was the highest price, I gave it to you, believing this to be about its proper value.

When having sent about 16 Wagons & Teams for more corn under this agreement it was refused, which certainly displeased me inasmuch as these things were of much expense to Government.

Some weeks a months happening at Crawford C. H. I there found in the mail for me, a letter directed to that place from you, recalling your proposition & refusing to sell any more corn at 50 cents per Bushel. but a short time previous to this letter I met you again at Fort Smith, when you were made acquainted with the above facts — you again offered your corn at the lowest price, provided it were more than 50 cents per Bushel — I again promised if your corn should be wanted to send for it, but the R. S. Teams having gone to Red river, and the Wagon Mr. having sent me word that as he had found good range

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between this and Red river; he would stop awhile to recruit, and corn being needed for grd. subsistence, Mr. Jno. McClellan Q.M. Comy was sent on the receipt of a letter & information from Dr. Dalton that corn could be bought above Pleasant Bluff for less than 40 cents and the result in that case you may recollect.

I have thus gone into particulars for your better satisfaction, to any part of which or to all if necessary I will certify on a seperate paper if you wish it & remain with

respect & esteem your Mo. Obt. Servt.
signed G. J. Rains Lt. Col. A.
& Dis. Ag. & Com. Subs.

Remarks on the foregoing.

Whatever Col. Arbuckle may now think - I never considered his corn purchased, neither did he, and I was of opinion that the reason Mr. Harrell (Col. Arbuckle's Overseer) did not sell to Coffee, was, that his offer was less than was expected from Government, and as Mr. Coffee informed me, that when the Arkansas was rising he called on Mr. Harrell to buy the corn & was refused, I think he said he offered 62½ cents per bushel, and as the water then was not expected to carry away the corn, whatever may be Mr. Coffees observations since, it would appear that he thought the corn still for sale when he went for it.

As regards the quantity, Mr. McClellan Q.M. Comy informed me, when he applied & the Overseer refused to let the corn go he told that not more than a thousand bushels could be spared

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15 and even that was doubtful

As regards Capt Stuarts note I have learned from Capt D McClellan, the Agent, who brought it, that Capt Stewart admits that he was requested to write by Col Arbuckle— The cert ainly is no great distinction between a threat of consequences and the offer of a rewards to perform an act & this latter would be bribe.

The stand I have taken may array the world against me, for who would believe a Subaltern when his Colonel makes a different statement but both could point out the easiest road to be pursued and the one to pursue, as a simple statement from me, that I had purchased the corn would be sufficient & leave me blameless in the eyes of the world, but notwithstanding this, and my friendly feelings towards Col. Arbuckle, which are many, I am constrained by a sense of duty to my God & Country not to do so— I would rather loose the amount myself.

As I conceive but little difference, between withholding facts and telling falsehoods to get a claim passed, I have thought it best to trouble you with this lengthy Epistle, which will be sworn to if necessary and which you can use as you may think best.

I am Sir—

very respectfully

your ho. obt. Servt.

G. J. Rains.

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→ Mr. McClellan says that when at Fort Gibson Col: Arbuckle asked him & when he told him, he thought the M.S. Teams would be in, in time from Red river & why I did not send down to his place & get corn, and I was told by a Mr. French a citizen that it was currently believed that Col. A. would not lend a Boat because I would not take his corn. — In answer I must say I had not & could not obtain the means to send for corn actually under pur-
-ase with Mr Oliver before mentioned.

Mr. McClellan was ignorant of the fact that the teams had stopped on the way.

* I had once before an offer from this Mr Dillard at Fort Smith to let me have corn if I wanted it at 40 cts pr. Bushel & having determined soon after to buy some for M.S. Teams I sent a note upon the receipt of which, he expressed much surprise denying the fact & stated that he had that day received an offer for his corn at 50 cts but under circumstances would give me the preferance at that price - I never believed that he had rec'd an offer as stated and felt offended that he should think I could be enjoled with such a tale, Mr D. consequently never heard from me on the subject again, and I was astonished that Mr. McClellan should make a bargain with a man who's corn he had heard me say I would not have even if given, but Mr. Clellan states as his excuse the necessity of the supplies.

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Mr. Worden the Express informed me that Mr. Dillard had offered to become responsible for the Boat himself but that Col. A. had refused, and afterwards, when we last met at Fort Smith Col. A. remarked said that "Mr. Dillard would not make himself responsible for the Boat" but all this was unnecessary, as when Col Mears was Commanding Offr at Fort Gibson, with a letter from Majr. Armstrong my receipts for a Keel boat were sent, which the asst. Qr Master must have had & must still have, as I have never heard of them since

This bargain caused a Mr. Bogloon agt for the Contractor to loose a $1500 by causing him to make a failure in the Contract afterwards due.

The time intervening between the expiration of one contract to feed the Choctaws & the coming in of another was the month of June when I had to support them by purchase.

From a review of the whole transaction I am compelled to believe that Col. Chuckle wished to force me to buy his Corn at his own price whether or not & certainly would have succeeded had it not been swept away or had I from had the means in time to have sent for it.

Colo. Chuckles last letter to me rec'd immediately before or after the rise of the river is extracted as follows-

"Dr. Sir Fort Gibson 30th. May 1838

"I have rec'd your note on the subject of Corn in which you "mention some difficulty with respect to price. Our understanding on this subject (If I am correct) was that if you took the corn

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"the price was not to be less than fifty cents pr Bushel
"but if corn sold higher at the time you obtained, that
"you would pay accordingly.

"I again write to you on this subject with the object
"of receiving positive information, provided you require
"my corn, that I may otherwise dispose of it should you
"not want it. If you will take all I have to spare, notify
"me to that effect, I am willing to continue our former
"understanding in this subject & to add that I shall not
"expect more than sixty two & half cents the highest price.

"Capt Rogers is now here, and will receive from me all that
"I am indebted to him at present I therefore request that you
"will not advance to him any money on my account.

"I am Sir
very respectfully
"yr. Obt. Servt
"Signed" Th Ar buckle

"To Lieut G J Rains.
Choctaw Agency
Arkansas

"A true Copy"
G J Rains Lt.

The above alone shows that we had made no positive bargain
as set for in Col. Arbuckle's letter of 28th April 1834
— concluded in haste for the mail — G. J. R.

Holland Coffee's
Deposition
5th Augt 1834.

In the Spring of 1833, prior to the market, application was made by or on the part of T. Coffee & Co. to Col Archibald, & offering him 80 cts per bushel for his corn then on an island 90 miles below Ft Gibson, which Col Archibald refused stating he had sold all his corn to Mr Rains for any Contract, but that Rains would make his right to the corn, Coffee could have it. That after this further application was made to Rains and he refused. That during the fall, in one of the visits and offers Archibald's overseer by name to come and pay 80 cts per bushel, which he refused as being against his orders consequent upon Archibald's bargain with Rains.

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Territory of Arkansas
County of Hempstead
Before the Commissioners

This day personally appeared before me Chesterton Moore an Acting Justice of the Peace in and for the Territory County and Territorial aforesaid, Willard Coppedge one of the late firm of H. Coffee & Co. Arkansas Post & Smith who being of Lawful Age and duly Sworn deposeth and saith, that an alteration in wording was made in the same Form of Contract in the Spring of 1833, sometime previous to the high Water of that Year by Col. A. Rinaldo Commandant [illegible] Cantonment in order to raise an Offer of 30¢ per bushel for a Quantity of Corn in Case said Corn was on the Plantation for sale on said Long Prairie twenty miles below this Place on the Arkansa River, that he the said Col. Rinaldo refused to take or accept of the Offer of said firm of H. Coffee & Co stating that he had already made a sale of the Corn which in time had to raise by Lieut. G.W. Harris, Subsistin Agent for the Choctaws West for the use of the Government.

And this Deponent further saith that he the said Col. Rinaldo stated to the said firm of H. Coffee & Co that if the said Lieut Harris would withdraw from his Contract into raise for the Corn or this part of it for the Government that then the said firm of H Coffee & Co could then have what Corn he had for sale at

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their offer of 50 cents per bushel

Mr. said Depomade further saith that to the best of his recollection - being an obligation was made a short time previous to the said 1st freshet of 1833 to the said Capt. G. S. Haines by one of the said firm of H. Coffee & Co to know whether the said Haines would withdraw from his contract with the said Col. Brinckle and let them the said firm of H. Coffee & Co have the Corn which the said Haines refused to do.-

Mr. The said Depomade further saith that he was on the Arkansas River with a large Keel Boat near the Plantation of the said Col. Brinckle in the month of June 1833 during the high freshet of that year and that he then made an offer to the Overseer of the said Col Brinckle of 37½ Cents per bushel for all the Corn he had on hand stating to him at the same time that it was then in danger of being swept off that he then had a Keel Boat ready and could save it that he the said Overseer refused to accept of his offer or to let him have the Corn stating that he had positive order from his employer the said Col Brinckle not to sell or let any part of his Corn go that he the said Col. Brinckle had bargained for the whole of it to the said Capt. G. S. Haines - and further this Depomade saith not

Sworn & Subscribed to
before me this 5th day of Augt 1834
Signed Nathan. Moore
U. S. C.

Signed
Mr. Holland Coffee

State of Ohio Crawford County ss

I Alexander McLean Clerk of the Crawford Circuit Court do hereby Certify that Matthew Elliott before whom the foregoing deposition was taken was at the time a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Crawford duly Commissioned and that full faith and Credit should be given to all his Official acts as such

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of Office this 8th day of August A.D. 1834.

(Signed)

A. McLean. Clk

(Seal)

I Certify, that the foregoing is a true copy from the original.

W. Lamb
Asst. Sec. of War

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Robt. M. French's

Deposition

16th Augt. 1834

Deposition under Coffee's

Arkansas Territory
Crawford County
Upper Township

This day personally appeared before me Matthew Moore an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the Territory, County and Township aforesaid, Robert M. French, one of the Partners of the late Firm of H. Coffee & Co Merchants of Fort Smith, who being of lawful age and duly sworn deposeth and saith, that he the said deponent applied to Col. M. Arbuckle Commandant at Fort Gibson in the Spring of 1833 making to him the said M. Arbuckle an offer of 50 Cents per bushel in the name of the said firm of H. Coffee & Co for a quantity of Corn he the said M. Arbuckle then had for sale on his Island Plantation some twenty miles below this place in the Arkansas river.— That this deponent further saith that he the said Col. M. Arbuckle rejected to accept of the offer of the said firm of H. Coffee & Co of 50 Cents per bushel for his Corn or to let them the said firm of H. Coffee & Co have any part of it, he the said M. Arbuckle stating that he had contracted and sold all the Corn he then had for sale on his said Island Plantation to Lieut. G. S. Raine Disbursing Agent for the Choctaw Nation for the use of the Government but that if he the said Lieut. Raine would withdraw from his engagement

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or contract with him the said Arbuckle to take his
Corn that then the said firm of H Coffee & Co should
have all he had for sale at their Offer of 50 cents per
bushel. —

This deponent further saith that sometime
after the application referred to had been made to
the said Arbuckle by the said firm of H. Coffee & Co
making to him the said Arbuckle an Offer of
50 cents per Bushel for his Corn, and sometime
previous to the high freshet in June of that year,
that he the said deponent called on the said Lieut
G. L. Haines personally to know whether he the
said Haines would withdraw from his said engage=
=ment or Contract for Corn with the said Arbuckle
and let them the said firm of H. Coffee & Co have it
and that he the said Lieut. Haines positively refu=
=sed to do so.

And further this deponent saith not.

Sworn to & Subscribed to
before me this 6th
6th day of Augt 1834.
Signed Matthew Morris
J. P.

Signed
Robert A. French

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Territory of Arkansas County of Crawford

I Neal McLean Clerk of the Craw-
-ford Circuit Court do hereby certify that Matthew
Moore before whom the above and foregoing depos-
-tion was taken was at that time an acting Justice
of the Peace in and for the County of Crawford
duly Commissioned and that full faith and Credit
should be given to all his official acts as such.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed the Seal of Office
this 15th day of August A.D. 1834

(Signed)

T. McLean. Clk.

I certify that the foregoing, is a
true copy from the original.

B. Seawell.
Sheriff. 7 Feb

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Mr. Attorney
Certificate
20th Decr. 1834

Was in charge of public trains in July 1833 — Duty often has carried at Christ. Off. — was desired to purchase corn by Lt. Rains, who told him to purchase corn wherever he could at a less rate than 50 cts but at that rate he was to give the preference to Genl. Archuleta's which he held in reserve.

I certify that I was appointed by Captain Brown Disbursing Agent for the Removal of Indians west of the Mississippi, to relieve Capt. Pitcher in the charge of a number of Public Teams, at the Choctaw Agency near the Arkansas River, and that I arrived there in the month of February 1833 where I found Lieut. Gab. J. Rains of the U. S. Army employed in subsisting the Choctaw Indians. - Shortly after my arrival, I understood from Lieut. Rains that he had purchased the Corn Col. M. Arbuckle had to spare at his Plantation near Crawford Court House Arkansas Territory for the use of the public teams - I was ordered out by Lieut. Rains to purchase Corn at different times, and was instructed to purchase the corn, if possible for less than fifty cents, and that in the event I could not purchase for less than fifty Cents, that I would call for the Corn purchased of said Arbuckle which he said he held in reserve when corn could not be obtained elsewhere, and in the event I obtained the corn of said Arbuckle that I would give his Overseer a ticket for the number of Bushels I received & that I was not to State in the ticket any price for the corn, I never made any Application for the Corn that I understood was purchased of said Arbuckle. I left the Choctaw Agency in August 1833

Fort Gibson
Dec. 20th. 1834.

(Signed) Geo. Fletcher.

I certify, that the above is a true copy from the original. W. Seawell
Lieut. 4th Infy.

Certificate of
Lieut. Ly. J. Rains
11th Lanty 1835

In Apl. 35, agreed with Col Archuckle that if Ly St Rains should want Col A's Com, he would take it provided the price were more than 50 dr per bushel. - Does not think Mr French ever made application to him - He if he had would have refused to forego the understanding, because he found had nothing to do with the matter, provided he paid Archuckle now Rec 50 dr per bushel

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At the request of Genl. Arbuckle, I certify to the following. —
Sometime early in the month of April 1833, I met with Col. M. Arbuckle at Capt. Stuarts' quarters, at Fort Smith, and upon an offer made by him, we had an understanding that if the corn at his farm about 25 miles below Fort Smith A.T. should be wanted for the use of the Indian Dept. Indian Subsistence or U.S. Teams, that I would send for it & purchase it, provided that the lowest current price which he was to get for it, were more than fifty cents per bushel.

(Signed) G. I. Rains
Lt. 7th Infy
ex. Dis. Agt.
Ind. Rem & Subs.

As regards the information or affidavit of Mr French, my impression is, that no such application was ever made, but regarding our Agreement as an offer, made by Col. Arbuckle, of which the Dept. was to profit or not, according as its interests suggested, my present impression is, that had Mr French called upon me to forego the understanding on my part, I should have refused, as a thing, with which he had nothing to do, provided that he gave Col. A. more than 50 Cts per B. for his corn.

(Signed) G. I. Rains
Lt. 7th Infy

I certify that the above is a
true Copy from the Original.
R. Seawell
Lieut. 7th Infy

Certificate of Mr. J. Lillard 11th Sept. 1835

Certifies he was present ~~Aug~~ Sept 1835 at a conversation between Col Archibald & Dr. Rains in relation to Corn — Dr R. wish to take Col A's corn at 50 cts. per bushel, and at any increase in price should there be any when the Corn should be required by Rains — and that Rains was to give preference to this Corn. — Dr Rains promised to take Mr. Dillard's corn at 50 cts. if he should want more than Col. Archibald.

In May Mr. Archibald entered into Rains, made a contract with Dillard for 800 or 1000 bushels at 75 cts. delivered at Fort Gibson — but D. nothing else to get the public Knockdown did not deliver it —

I certify that I was in Company with General Brooke at Fort Smith about the beginning of April 1833 at which time I heard a conversation between Lieut Jamison of the 7th Inf. then Disbursing Agent for the Choctaw Indians and General Brooke on the subject of Corn. I distinctly understood that Mr. Haines was to take General Brookes Corn at 50 cents per bushel allowing the increase in price should there be any, at the time that the said Haines should require it. Which Corn as I then understood the agreement was the first to be taken, should he want more than he had then purchased.

I had Corn on General Brookes Farm which I had purchased of his Overseer, and called to see Mr. Haines to sell mine also he was willing to take my Corn at 50 cents if there should be a demand for a larger Quantity than General Brooke could supply.— After the above occurrence and I think about the 15th. or 20th. of May Mr. [redacted]lelland authorized by Mr. Haines made a Contract with me at this place to deliver a Quantity of corn, I think 800 or 1000 bushels at 75 cents pr. bushel and gave me a written Request to General Brooke just at his departure from here, for a Keel Boat to transport it making himself irresponsible for the loss or safe return of the Boat to this place, General Brooke upon my presenting said paper informed me that he could not let the Boat upon such conditions; but if Mr McClelland would secure the safe delivery of the

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Boat or be responsible for the loss of it, I could have it and for her hire and as I might take the Boat on my own responsibility. but as I was not bound to furnish a Boat I did not take it, and the corn was therefore not delivered

Given at Fort Gibson this 11th of January 1835.—

Signed

Wm. Dillard

I certify that the foregoing, is a true Copy from the original.

M Leavell
1st Lieut. 7th Inft.

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Choctaw

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Wm Armstrong

Choctaw Agency

22d Oct 1833

Relates to Wheels &c Com
ntracted for with Mr
Baker by Major Gaines
Choctaws &c

Encloses Note to Mr B
wo an Estimate of wh
would cost to remove
im to Red River to Com
lete the Contract.

Suggests that if the C
termines to prosecute with
Work unfinished of Contra
Contract with Mr B
an advance made to
should not Complete
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Rec'd 7. Nov. Choctaw Agency 22d. Oct, 1835.

Sir:

Since my arrival here, I have made a partial examination of the Contract entered into by Mr Baker with the late Agent Major Flo Armstrong, for making wheels & looms for the Choctaws under Treaty Stipulations. You will perceive from the enclosed note to Mr Baker, that I have suspended the further [redacted] this district. The wheels are all received & the looms in part delivered & the remainder in a State of forwardness, and expected to be ready for delivery very soon. I have therefore permitted Mr Baker to proceed on; and complete the portion of looms for this district. I have but lately arrived here; & have not as yet visited Red river, but I have made enquiries of Mr Jones, Ad. & Interpreter, lately from Red river and am informed that Mr Baker has not done any thing in relation to the wheels and looms, but [redacted] that he has prepared the timber as stated; indeed Mr Baker admits that he has done nothing but prepared the timber at Stalls mill.

Under all the circumstances, I have thought it proper to take the course previously stated, with Mr Baker; and submit the matter to the Department, whether longer indulgence shall be given, or a new contract entered into.

I understand the Indians on Red river are

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anxious to receive the Looms & wheels; this may be readily accounted for, from the fact that they know they are entitled to them by the Treaty; and they will be clamorous for them, even if they never use them.

I also enclose an estimate of what it will cost Mr Baker to remove to Red river & complete his contract, taking in the valuation of his house &c. This valuation is based upon a change made in a communication from your Department of the 27th of May, ~~1834~~, my impression is, that the valuation is a high one, yet the gentlemen who made it, are respectable traders of the nation.

You will readily perceive that Mr Baker has forfeited his contract, which was originally made to have finished the Looms & wheels by the 1st of June, 1834: & without entering into a new obligation, permitted to pass on until the 1st June 1835. The valuations of the houses & difference in completing the work on Red river is also forfeited and the whole matter open for the Department to act upon.

I would suggest that if the Department determines to progress with the wheels & looms yet unfinished and shall give the contract to Mr Baker, my impression is that unless he had advanced a portion of what he has done in this district, he will not be able to finish the work. I understand his workmen are dissatisfied; and unless he had funds to pay them, I cannot see how he could prosecute the work.

I have endeavoured to state as clearly as I could the true situation of this contract. To advance

-vance. I am happy to state was ever made by my brother, and under no circumstances would any be made by me, unless instructed by the Department.

Respectfully
Your Obedient Servt

Wm Armstrong
Elect Agt.

To Genl. Geo. Gibson
Comy Genl Sub.
Washington D.C.

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Copy
Of coast of Mr Baker
to remove to Red river
to complete his contract

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(Copy) Choctaw Agency west
January 22d 1835

Sir

In compliance with your communication addressed to us, of this date, we have proceeded, viewed and assessed the damage & loss that Mr. Baker the Loom & wheel carriage maker has sustained in consequence of him removing from his present place of residence to Red River. And forward, to complete the looms & wheels due the Choctaw Indians by Treaty. Viz:

For 1 Frame & fixtures turning lathe	$ 191. 00
" 1 Carpenter Shop with all its appurtenances	415. 00
" Dwelling house with all its appurtenances	323. 00
" Transportation of Mr Bakers tools, provisions &c from his present place of residence to Red river, say 7 waggons for 22 days each at $5 per diem.	770. 00
" Time lost by Mr Bakers hands in travelling from this place to Red river including expences	189. 00
" For the probable difference in the price of the provisions for Mr Bakers hands, on Red river over what it would be here,	$1888. 00

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Amt Brot over
during the time he will be completeing his contract $ 1888. 00
292 00

Not knowing what weight there will be of the Loom & wheel irons to be hauled to Bed rock we have agreed to allow him $5. per hundred for transporting them from this place to Bed rock.

Respectfully
Your Ob't Servants
Geo. Pickett
R. S. Gibson

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Choct-aw Agency. C2
Act. 1839

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Sir

The Contract made by you with the late Majr. F. W. Armstrong Choctaw Agent for Looms &c. under treaty stipulations— & prior to that not been Complied with— and understanding from your Son & others that the portion of Looms &c which to have been Completed on the Red River has advanced no further than procuring a part or perhaps all the timber at Stailey Mills— I have determined to suspend upon from the further progress of the work on Red River until the decision of the Commissary Genl. of Supt shall be known— to whom the Case has been submitted. the which I understand for they district have already been rec'd and a part of the Looms— You Can go on and finish for they district— the balance of the looms which I am informed you have nearly ready— which will be rec'd from you— until the final action of the Dept is known—

Respectfully
your obt

Wm Armstrong
Choct Agent—

Mr. Robt Baker
Choct Agency.

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Rec'd 15 Dec

Choctaw Agency Nov 18th 1835

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comy Genl Sub.

Sir

I am about setting out for Red river; and during my stay there, I will examine particularly the rifled powder lead and other treaty articles on hand, stored at Fort Towson.

I have just been informed that half the good powder and all the lead would sell for a fair price at Towson; and if it was offered before the Indians purchased their supply, which would be early in the Spring.

I have thought it proper to mention the circumstance to the Department that if they wished, they could order it to be sold, provided it would sell for a fair price; the carriage back to this place would be saved, as I presume those articles will be wanted or can be used for other emigrants.

Should the Department conclude to dispose of a portion of the powder & lead, it would be well to give directions as early as practicable.

Respectfully
Your Obt Servt

Wm Armstrong
Choct Agt & Act Supt West. Terry.

Ens.y 29th. Choctaw
Capt: S. Brown
L. Rock 2. Dec.r 10.
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Ult.o says, thus far
no settlements have
been suspended for the
want of funds.

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Rec'd 5th Jan'y. 1835

Little Rock. A.T.
Decr 10th 1834.

Sir:

Your communication of the 15th ult. has been received. Thus far with the means at my control, no settlements have been suspended for the want of funds. The eleven thousand Dollars you have required to be deposited on account of expenditures connected with the Choctaw Removal, together with the small balances received from Lts. Stephenson and Rains, the former $2.227.54 balance of remittance for the purchase of Cattle, and from the latter, $2.142.07. balance of remittance to pay commutation claims, and to be applied to the settlement of claims for subsistence furnished the Choctaws, will meet the immediate wants for that branch of the service.

My estimate for funds, forwarded on the 10th of November last, shows that $13.288.78 was required for immediate use. Your remittance and the balances above referred to, meet that object.

The balance of that estimate, which is to pay for subsistence now furnishing, ought to be available, on or before the close of March next.

I have the honor to be,
Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.

J Brown Capt 4th
Dy Asst Sub Dist

Genl Geo. Gibson,
Comy Genl. of Subs.
Washington D.C.

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Envg 310. Choctaw

Capt. D. Brown
& 1 Recd 31 Dec.
1834

Transmits Ge current
with Abst: & Vouchers
of Expenditures on account
of Choctaws. Also,
Return of Subsistence
Recd & issued to the above
named Choctaws during
4th Qr: of 1834.

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Letter

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Rec'd. 23 Jany 1835

Little Rock. A.T.
Decr. 31. 1834.

Sir

Herewith I have the honor to transmit account Current with Abstract and vouchers of Expenditures on account of subsistence, furnished the Choctaws. Also, accompanying same is the Return of Subsistence received and Issued to the above named Choctaw Indians, during the 4th. qr. of 1834.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
J. Brown Capt. A.C.S.
W.D. in Act and Paid

Genl. Geo. Gibson.
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington, D.C.

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Capt. J. Brown
L. R. 17th Feb. 1833

Sends a claim
of Mr. Millard and
asks instructions as to
the payment of it.

Rec'd 12. March

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Rec'd 12th March

Little Rock. A.T.
Feby. 17th 1838-

Sir:

In accordance with that part of your instructions, dated the 13th Dec'r. last which relates to the settlement of Agents accounts; and which directs, that if "claims are made at all inconsistant with the spirit of instructions, do not pay them;" but refer them to you. Under this, I take the Liberty of refering the enclosed stated account, with such evidences as have been lodged in this office. A part of which does not strictly accord with instructions of the 19th July 1834. wherein it says, "that going to Memphis, we are will receive any transportation or commutation of transportation and subsistence." Hence the item of transportation allowance, from Fort Towson to Memphis, is not strictly authorized, unless it can come under the head of return Journey. The claimant having gone to the frontier under orders, & in the performance of a special duty. So in relation to the item of actual expenses of transportation and subsistence, as entered in the Memorandum Book, They were not incurred while actually engaged in conducting Emigrants. Ret.

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of the Mississippi, but at Memphis and its vicin-
-ity.

The evidences herewith are copies. The original Memorandum Book of Expenses, not being certi-
-fied and approved, is returned to Mr. Mil-
-lard for corrections. When the accounts are paid they will be filed with the and trans-
-mitted.

The two items of the account above re-
-ferred to are submitted for your decision & instructions in relation to the payment of them; and as the claimant expresses a wish for an early adjustment, I have to request that it re-
-ceive early notice after it reaches your Office.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.

J. Brown Capt. U.S.A.
A.C.S. Dept. Sen. Rend.

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

Emy 331 Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown
L. R. March 1 1835 —

He sends a letter to
him from Mr. Thos.
Irwin relative to the
stoppage of his pay
and asks further in-
structions &c.

Rec'd 26 March

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Rec'd 26 March

Little Rock. A.T.
March 1st 1835.

Sir:

I herewith enclose communication of Mr. Wm. Irvin, in relation to the stoppage of pay, per your instructions dated the 24th Octr. 1834. Mr. Irvin appears very sanguine that the number you refer to as covering Money drawn twice for the same period, Must have a wrong date. That instead of 1832. ought to be, 1833.

In paying Mr. Irvin for his present service I have deducted the $2.44 cts. as directed in the instructions above refered.

Mr. Irvin desires that a reexamination of payments to him, may be made as early as practicable, and the result communicated to this Office.

I would remark in addition, that Mr. Irvin has claims for Travelling allowance and expenses of Transportation and Subsistence, similar to those of Mr. Millard's forwarded for your decision, on the 17th ultimo: and to facilitate the settlement of this claim. I should be glad, if it is practicable, so to authorize me to consider that the decision on one, will govern the fate of the other

Over

others.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
J. Brown Capt. U.S.A.
Disb. Agt. Ind. Dept.

Genl. Geo. Gibson.
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

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Little Rock A. T.
March 1st 1835

Sir

From a Statement sent you from Washington
Of the different payments made me in the Year 1832 it appears
that I have Overdrawn 244$ which Amt I drew from Capt. J.
Page, After having rec'd from you the Amt due me from the 1st
Nov.r 1832 upto the 22d Janry 1833. I am conscious that during
the Year 1832 that I never drew a cent from Capt. Page. and that
it must be an error in the date of the Year. The account should
have been for the months of Nov.r & Dec.r 1833 which I drew from Capt
Page. I therefore request that an examination may be made
of the Settlement of my account for the Year 1833. Should there
not be an account found for the Months of Nov.r & Dec.r 1833 it
is evidence that it is an error in the date of the Year

Yr. Obed.t S.t
Thomas Irwin
act. Ag.t In.s Dep.t

Capt. J. Brown U. S. A.
Com.g Dist.t Ag.y In.s Dep.t

Emig 336 Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown
March 16th 1835

Has rec'd letters of the
12th & 17th inst. the latter
covering the acct of
A & R. Ross.

Is satisfied the
claim is just

rec'd 13 April

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Rec'd Apl. 17th.

Jno

Little Rock A.T.
March 16, 1874.

I have received your letter dated the 12th. & 17th. ultimo the latter covering Abs. & Rec. accounts for subsistance & fraight delivered by B. Kinnicum, conductor of a party of 8 emigrating Choctaws in 1873. The same having been forwarded to you for correction, in consequence of its being rendered by regular returning officer.

I am satisfied that the claim is just. It has no connection with Gray & Downing, Attorneys, Contractors, or the agent of Emigration for 1873

I have the honor to be
Very Respectfully
Your Obt Svt.
J. P. Brower Capt U.S.A.
Disb Agt 3rd Cond

Genl Geo. H. Gibson
Comsy Genl of Subs
Washington D.C.

Mag 341. Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown
L. Rock, 3 apl 1833

Instructions on
account Choctaw
Choctaws 19th 1833

Rec'd 11 May

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Rec'd. May 1.

Little Rock. A.T.
April 30th 1885.

Sir:

Herewith you will receive account Current with Abstracts and vouchers of payments made for subsistence received and issued to the Choc: -taw Indians during the 1st qr. of present year Also. is herewith, Return of Subsistence with Abstracts, &c, appertaining to the above accountability.

I have the honor to be.

Very Respectfully.

Your Obt. Servt.

J. J. Brown Capt. 4th.
Asst Agt Ind Affrs,

Genl. Geo. Gibson.
Comsy Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

Ewing 349 Choctaw

Capt J. Brown
Little Rock 16th Apl 1835

Sends Commutation
pay roll made by Lt
Stephenson to Choctaws
who emigrated upon
their own resources

Rec'd 8 May

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Rec'd. 8th May

Little Rock. A.T.
April 16th 1855.

Sir:

I cover herewith Commutation Pay Roll made by St. Stephenson, to Choctaws. who Emigrated on their own resources.

St. Stephenson says. that this Roll has been open since July last. and the presumption is. that it contains the names of all claimants who Emigrated themselves to the Red River section of the country. prior to the 24th of February 1854.

Respectfully.
I have the honor to be
Your Obt. Servt.
J. Brunot Capt. 4th Inf.
Bt Lieut Col Army.

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

The pay Roll (as per) filed with St. Stephenson's Accts - - Rec'd from the 3rd Auditor 4th Qr 1854.
E.

Emig 354. Choctaws

Capt. J. Brown
L. Rock, Ap. 30. 1833
Sends two rolls with
the evidence of support
in favour of James
P Kellam.

Rec'd May 20th

Rec'd 2o May

Little Rock. A.T.
April 30th 1835.

Sir:

I cover herewith for sanction two accounts with evidences, in favor of James P. Kellam for subsistence and forage furnished emigrant Choctaws, in 1833.

From the knowledge I have of the claimant, I do not doubt but he has complied with the orders of the supt. Wm Armstrong; and that the subsistence, &c. was furnished as directed; but the informality of the evidence which cannot well be remidied, prevents the claim being being paid without first submitting the same to the Department for sanction and instructions. The claimant will make affidavit of the justness of the accounts, should such be required.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
J. Brown Capt. U.S.A.
Dis Agt Mid Rivers

Genl. Geo. Gibson
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

378 Letter.

Enos Choctaws

From

Capt. J. Brown

Fort Coffee, 9 July '35-

Incls Acct. Current with
Abstracts of Warrants of Distr.
& Remt. & Invoice of
Choctaws, - also Return of
Subs: with Abstracts of refer-
ences to Purchases & Issues -
for 2nd Qr. '35-

3 August

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Rec'd. Augt 3d

Fort Coffee,
July 9th 1835:

Sir:

Herewith I have the honor to transmit Account Current with abstracts and vouchers of Disbursements on account of the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaw Indians during the 2d qr. of 1835: Also, Return of Subsistence with Abstracts of references to Purchases and Issues, made to Choctaws during the qr. above named.

With the exception of a few scattering, irregular claims, disbursements connected with the Rem'l and Subs. of the above tribe of Indians, are closed.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.

J P Brown Capt USA
Disb Agt. Ind Rem'l

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs
Washington D. C.

From
Capt. J. Brunot
Little Rock, Oct 17. 1835

Transmits Acct. Current &c
on account of Removal & Subsist.
of the Choctaws for 3d
Quarter 1835.

Nov 9

Rec'd. Nov 9.

Little Rock
October 15. 1836

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith account Current, of Funds in my hands, on account of the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaws for the 3rd quarter of 1836.

I am Sir
your Obt Servant,
Jno Bowie Capt U.S.A.
Disg. Agt Choctaw Removal

Gen Geo: Gibson
Comy Gen of Subsistence
Washington
D.C.

Emig 423 ~~Choctaws~~
Choctaw

Capt. J. Brown
Little Rock
Dec. 2d 1833

Sends a monthly
abst. of emigrants
Choctaw Emigration

28 Dec.

Rec'd 28 Dec

Little Rock, A.T.
Dec. 2d, 1835

Sir—

Herewith I have the honor to transmit Abstract of Disbursements on account of Contingencies - Choctaw Emigration for the Month of November Current Year.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Svt.

J. Brown Capt. 1st. Lt.
Dr. Asst Chickasaw

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comy Genl. of Subsistence,
Washington D. C.

Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for the Contingencies of the Choctaw
Principal Disbursing Agent for the Rem[l] Subsistence of Indians

Dates	To whom paid	For what paid	Amount Dolls	Amount Cts	Remarks Showing what additional payments for the
1835					
Nov[r] 30	D. McClellan	Choctaw County Seat Extra Services rendered in the	150	00	accom

Little Rock
Decem[r] 1. 1835

/ the Choctaw Indians for the Month of November 1833. by Capt J. Brown U.S.A.
ians

Remarks showing whether the payments will continue - how long - the necessity for their continuence what additions may become necessary or reductions will be made - distinguishing between payments for the Consumption or use of the present month and for succeeding month
account Closed

J. Brown Capt A.A.
Com Sub Dist Choctaw Nation

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Commissary Gen'l of Subs. LR 1835 C-P Choctaw

Ferry 248. Chesterfield

S. J. Cross

Madison 3rd Feb. 16

1835

Makes some explanations relative to his &c actual Expenses [redacted] G. Phillips

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Rec? 28 febovary

Madison Indiana
Febry 16th 1835

Sir,

I hasten to reply to your enquiries of the 29th Ultimo. asking further explanations relative to my account for "Actual expenses", paid me by Lieutenant J. A Phillips,- I have to say that, the whole charges as set forth in that account, is strictly correct, and within the Amt. expended by me while actively engaged in the Creek Nation on such duty, as only required by you, in your letter of instructions to William Armstrong, the Superintendent — dated 24th May 1833, and to which, I beg leave to refer you. to show that I was called into active service, and the time when I was called, I have enclose an extract of a letter (marked (A)) from the Superintendent to me, dated at Nashville 24th May 1833- and as proof, and I hope sufficient proof, I have also enclosed a copy of the Superintendents instructions to me (Marked B). from which you will plainly see that, he was well aware that I had been ardenously engaged on duty in the Nation, from the 1st June, up to the date of his order, 12th Octr. 1833- & I will add, for two days after.

- This I trust will be satisfactory explanation relative to active duty, existing as it does, from the Superintendent, & I have no original data by me, on which I could predicate

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a Statement, showing when, and to what particular individual, those monies were paid, all I can say in assurance to that point is, that I was engaged on duty in the Nation, sometimes in one part of the binding and at other times in different parts, and so on alternately from house to hut, until my entire Reasonably exceed. The two most prominent items charged in that account and pencil Marked by you. $52 and $60.00 were principally paid to Brown, Parker, and Harper, in the center of the Nation, at whose houses I frequently stoped, particularly Harpers, at which place I was indisposed for a short time, and at whose house, we all staid during the apprehending of the Indians, who were to have all surrendered 12 Mile Rive from, on the 15 Sept. as directed by the Superintendant.

I hope this explanation will be understood, and prove satisfactory, and prevent the Amt. in Lt. Phillips account from being suspended, as I am justly entitled to every cent then charged— I will here remark that those charges embrace forage for Horses, as well as Subsistence for self, all under the head, of "Actual expenses"—

Very Respectfully
Your Mo. Obt
S. Tolson

To.
Genl. Geo. Gibson
Commissy Genl. Subsistence
Washington City
D.C.

The enclosures, with a copy of this letter, filed with Lt Phillips' acct. E.

Envs 25 Cherokees

Philip Campbell

Nashville [redacted] April

1835

Explaining his authority

to remove Cherokees

[illegible] Cumberland Gap

Rec'd 20 ap.

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Recd Apl 20th

Nashville April 7th 1835

Dr Sir yours respecting my account for services in the Choctaws removed came safe to hand als a check from Capt Hunt for one hundred and three dollars 50 cents the 25 dollars that was retained as having been erroneously paid by Lieutenant Philips I never received thire I receipted for it he was willing to pay me but not having received an allowance of that kind in 1832 I did not believe it would be paid Philips stated that Capt Armstrong was going to Washington in the and if the allowence was made he would pay the money to him and if it was not he would erase that Item out of the receipt I have written to Lieut Philips by to days mail requesting him to make to you the necessary explanation

Genl George Gibson

Yours respectfully Philip Campbell

See letter of 21st to Mr Campbell

Enrg 12. Choctaws

"J. A. Pickens
Relative to his claim
for rations furnished
Choctaw Indians

Referred 15. Jany 1835

Potosi, Missouri
23d Decr AD 1834

Cob A. H. Sevier

Deer Sir enclosed you
will receave E. Rectors & Mr H Bamfords Certificats
respecting my Contract for furnishing Chastain
Indeans with Rations &c, you will discover a —
discrepency in the amount of my two Certifs to —
wit, Rector & Bamford but if you will examine &
Compare both with the Contract you will find
both right as E Rectors Statement and calculation
is only made for one days Rations and Mrs Blanks —
when the contract Required me to furnish Rations
for three days which makes both Statements —
right — The origanal contract you will finde in the
War Department — and you will also discover that
my contract differs from all the contracts Recently —
made by Capt Brown there being no — more or
less about it I was bound to furnish so much
and no less — which I did and made a tender of the
Same — as you will perceave — you will also —
See that I have proved that I sustained a —
loss of 762$ if the Department will pay —
me that Sum I will be Satisfied if not I
wish you to apply to Congress by Petition
for the difference between what I was
bound to deliver & the amount Received by.

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Government Count, $3715-19/100 which is
the difference

I sometime in the Month of July
last addressed a letter to the Post Master General
stating that — I had conveyed the Mail from
the Little Rock in Two horse stages for Six
Months the method running one cents pay and that
I was apprised of the Embarest situation
of the Post office — and that if he would promi
ce me to forward a Draft in my favour
for my years pay by the 1st of February Next
I would try and rest contented and pay the
Expences out of my own funds until then
will you have the goodness to enquire of —
Gen Barry or Either or in that I may depend
on on this Subject also — Please attend to the
whole and let me here from you as soon as
possable —

I shall leave this place for Jackson to-
morrow — and in a few days after I arrive at
Jackson expect to go to the Rock — — — —

Respectfully your Obt
Obt Servt Wm H. Fackler

Hon'l A. J. Sevier

P.S.

If you succeed in getting the $762 I gave
the Department to forward me Exchange draft
on Some of the Banks at Orleans as I owe money
there —

Fackler

31.

Jany

Choctaw

R. Garland
Washn. 15th Jany 1835

Relative the claim of Jacob
Wafer, for removing the
of 38 Choctaws.

Jany. 21. 1835.

Indian Office

Removal & Subsistence

Jacob Wafer

War Dept
Annd. 27 Jany 35.

Ref. 28 Jany 18

Refused
Jany 23. 1835

House of Representatives
January 15th 1835

Sir

I have received a letter from Mr Joel Walker of the Parish of Claiborne, Louisiana informing me that he has a claim against the U. States, for his services in removing thirty eight Chactaw Indians from near Monroe in the State of Louisiana to their Territory West of the Arkansas Territory and furnishing them with provisions - He informs me he has sent the claim to a Captain Brown at Little Rock - Arkansas for the purpose of being forwarded to the Department. I will thank you to inform me, if any such claim has been presented and whether there is any difficulty about its allowance, if it has been -

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
R. Garland

Hon. Lewis Cass
Secty. of War

Tenn. — 21 Chester

Thos. Irwin
Nashville, Sep. 21. 1835

Did not receive the
letter written by him in
July enclosing his
Acct. for Services
Ind. Engr. in 1833;

Explains the nature
of that Acct.

The original of this letter
referred to 2d auditor.
Oct 1. 1835.

Copy.

Nashville, 21st Sept. 1838

Sir

I received a copy of a letter which purports to have been written to me some time in January last accompanied with an account of my expenses for the year 1833 to which upon with my attention particularly directed this letter covering account I have never received. I was at Columbus twice and making the charge, I entered amount paid at Columbus for one of the times, and bill at Columbus for the other. I was ordered to different points in the nation and returned to the Agency at Col. Wards, and when starting with the Emigration on to Memphis the account of the Agency was all paid in one bill for the different times that I was there.

I can only say that I was much engaged through the nation, subject to the Orders of the Superintendent, Capt. Page or Phillips, and would readily submit it to them if there was any Assistant who was more engaged than I was.

My

My operations were not [redacted] to the immediate district in which the Agency is located. I hope this explanation will be sufficient to show that I was not stationary at the Agency, and also the two charges at Columbus. I would have answered your first Communication, but I understood since my return that it was forwarded to me at Little Rock where it was expected to have reached me. I have never received it

Respectfully
Yr Obt Servt
Thomas Irwin

Genl George Gibson
Com: Genl Subs.
Washington City

(Signed)
"

Comg Dept. 94 Choctaw

Lt. G. W. Moore
Choctaw Agency
Nov. 4th 1834

Sends a return of
Subsistence stores in
his possession -
Has been prevented
by the illness of per-
-sons visiting Fort Smith to
sell the articles

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Rec'd Jany 31

Choctaw Agency
4th Nov 1834

Sir.

I have the honor to transmit herewith, a Return of Subsistence Stores in my possession. Having been confined to my bed, by an attack of sickness, since the 15th Oct., I have been unable to visit Fort Smith, and to make a sale of these articles.

I am Sir, very respectfully.
Your Mo Obt Svt
S. B. Moore
1st Lieut 7 Inf
Dis. Agent

To
Gen: Geo: Gibson
C. G. S.

Ennig 93 Choctaw
Letter

Lt. J. W. Moore
Choctaw Agency
30th Dec. 1834

Incls Monthly Return
of Subsistence Stores

Has completed the
payment of the Wayne
Pensioners of the Choc-
taws

Has been furnished
by Capt. Brown with
funds to pay the
annuities of the Lou-
isiana Shawnees &c

Rec'd 6 Jany

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Rec'd 6 Jany

Choctaw Agency, West
30th Novr 1834

Sir.

I have the honor, herewith to transmit a monthly Returns of Subsistence Stores.

I have just completed paying the Captains, Chiefs, Sens. and the Wayne Pensioners of the Choctaws; and have been furnished by Captain Brown, A. C.S. Agent, with funds to pay the Annuities, &c., of the Seneca, and Shawnees; and expect to leave this place, for their Country, about the 12th of December next. to make the pay meats.

I am Sir very respectfully
Your Mo Obt Svt
H Mook
Lieut 1st Dio. Agt

To
Gen Geo. Gibson C.G.S.
Washington City.

Envd 105 ~~Miscellaneous~~
Letter. Choctaw

Lt. S. W. Moore
Choctaw Agency
11 April 1833

Sends yrly Returns
of property funds &c

Rec'd. 13 May

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Rec'd 13 May

Choctaw Agency
11 April 1835.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith, my Quarterly Returns of Property, Funds, & Provisions, for the first quarter of this year. The Abstract of Issues is signed by Wm McClellan, who was engaged by me to make the issues; as I left this place on the 11 Dec 1834, & did not return until the 14 March 1835. The Subsistence of the Choctaws is now closed.

I am Sir, very respectfully,
Your Mo Ob St
S W Moore
Lieut & Dis: Agent.

Emigration of Indians
Commissary Gen of Subsistence
Washington City

Lt. J. W. Moore's
Statement of Choctaw Indians
drawing subsistence in the
Arkansaw district.
1st Apl 1833

Rec'd May 13.

A Statement showing the number of Choctaw Indians drawing rations at the several Depots [illegible] the Agency and Cavinole, during the first quarter of 1835.

1835 January 1.	Number drawing subsistence at	Agency Depot. 110
" " 1st	"	Cavinole " 91

Total number drawing subsistence. 201

S. H. Mook
2d Lieut 7 Inf
Dis: Agent.

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[illegible] Agency May 28th 35—

[illegible]

[illegible] I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated [illegible] 30th ult enclosing a bill stated to [illegible] [illegible] to give credit, & hope satisfactory explanations of any items in my accounts, [illegible]

[illegible] the first item objected to, of five days stay at Columbia on my way to the old Chotaw Agency, I was detained at Columbia to comply with the requisition of the Act, to make the necessary arrangements, previous to entering the Nation. [illegible] the purchase of 75 Bushel of Corn from [illegible] and I had no alternative but to purchase it at the price stated, or to let my horse suffer [illegible]

All the other items but the last, were expenses incurred while I was engaged holding Councils and collecting the Indians, the delays at the several points were unavoidable; and grew out of the nature of the business, I was engaged in —

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The last item of $48.00 is for board, for self & horse. Ind
at the old Chatlaw agency, which was the ground of
readyzvous for all the agents to meet, when the date
nature of the business required. I wish the depart- of n
ment to bear in mind that this charge of $48— charg
includes the time from my arrival with me to, a
the Superintendent to the day of our departure ment
with the emigrants. It must be understood that
I was by order of the Superintendent actively appe
going from the Yenzo to the Neighborhood, with
arranging the different parties to meet at the
General Rendezvous. At the same time, obtain
taining the probable number of Indians, their
condition &c. &c. My outfit & return, &c. &c.
report and fit again for some other service.
Therefore although the Indians were actually
marching, it was for me the busy thing when I was
talking them, and making the various arrangements,
so that no trouble delay could take place, in the
general movements. As I had not returned to the
agency but kept among the Indians, no doubt
could have arisen as to the duty performed &c.
Under the explanation given, it will also need
be seen that I was not idle, waiting for the

Indians, but was engaged as stated, with them.

I regret very much, that, at this late date, any doubts should arise as to the correctness of my accounts. I assure you Sir, that I have not charged for any thing that I am not justly entitled to, and all the delays so objectionable to the Department, grew out of a strict performance of my duty.

In compliance with your request, I shall affix my certificate to the Bill, which I have with re-endorse to you.

I have the honor to be
very respectfully your
obt. servt.
J. W. Midaugh

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Letters.

From Lt J W. Moore

Choctaw Agency 1st July 38

Sends property & money returns for 3d Qr 38 — says Complied with instructions of 27 April — & received Blanks, which with papers relating to Choctaws, also Receipt of Blankets for Seminoles, were handed over to Capt Brown.

10 Augus C

Rec.d 10th August

Choctaw Agency Mob
12th July 1830.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit my Property and Money Returns for the third quarter of this year.

It will be observed, that I have remain four padlocks, which I have suffered to remain on the different Store-houses, to prevent this being entered and injured. Two are on the Storehouse at Fort Smith, three on the Store house near this place. In compliance with your instructions dated April 27th I have deducted from the sum borne aboard, the amount received from the Sale of Army Subsistence; I have likewise turned over the sum to Lieut Davis A. C. S. at Fort Coffee. I have received a number of blanks which with the papers relating to the Choctaws, have been turned over to Capt. Brown. An invoice of the blankets for the Seminoles, I have also received, and having no funds on hand, have turned over the Bill of Lading to Capt. B.

I am Sir, my respectfully,
Your Mo. Ob. Sv.
Wm Wood
Lieut & Dis: Agent

1829 | Enrg | Choctaw

From
J. M. Midland
Choc: Agency West
14 Oct. 1835—

Acknowledges letter of 24 Sept. enclosing Copy of Abstract &c. Rifles, &c — Sends statement of the Condition of the Rifles, &c. Informed by Capt. Stewart of Ft. Coffee that can be repaired at Ft. Towson for 1$ each &c. Those reported in order can be cleaned at little expense — Rifles, Powder, lead & Caps at Ft. Towson stored in Garrison under care of Capn. J. C. Clinton — &c.

10 cts for.

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Rec'd. 10th Nov

Choctaw Agency West
October 14th 1835.

Major J. W. Hook
Actg. Com. Gal. Sub.
Washington
Sir

Your letter of the 24th Sep. last came to hand by the last mail, enclosing a copy of the Abstract for Rifles &c. furnished by the late Indian Agent Major T. W. Armstrong.

Agreeably to your request I herewith transmit a statement shewing the condition of the Rifles &c also the probable cost for the transportation of the articles in question from Fort Towson to this place.

Capt Stuart Comdg. Fort Coffee informs me that a Mr. Shaw residing at Fort Gibson would repair the Rifles reported in bad order at $1. each. The transportation from the Public warehouse here to Fort Gibson by Steam Boat could not amount to much.

The Rifles reported in good order could be cleaned and oiled by the Indian Dept Blacksmith at a little expense. It is my opinion they would then be fit for issue to Indians.

The Rifles Powder, Lead & Caps at Fort Towson are stored in the Garrison under the immediate care of the Comdg Officer. The Store Houses here are log buildings, are dry, & considered safe

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It would however be advisable in my opinion to have all the articles above alluded to, under the eye of the Indian Agent.

By the next mail I will endeavour to inform myself as correctly as possible, the situation of Bakers contracts for Looms &c. also the Indians views upon the subjects & give you the information required in your letter

I have the honor to be Sir
Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt

J. W. Millard

Statement in Choctaw file

[M 129 - Choctaw]

J. M. Millard's
Report of Rifles &c &c
left at Choctaw Agency
west and Ft. Towson, after
completion of distribution by
F. W. Armstrong — showing
their condition &c —

See his letter dated 14th
Oct. in reply to letter from
this Office to him dated
4th Sept. 1838

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Statement of Rifles, Powder & Lead (Public property) Stored.

Places	Rifles No.			Guages No.	Gun Powder Kegs.		Flints No.
	In good order requiring cleaning & oiling	Damaged but can be repd.	Damaged not worth repairing	Old, damaged & not worth repairing	Good	Damaged	
Choctaw Agency	113	15	39	65	132	20	2500
Fort Towson	340	"	18	"	110	16	1670
	453	15	57	65	242	36*	4170

* Could not be sold here at any price

Articles at Fort Towson 358 Rifles supposed to weigh 12 lbs each 4296
" " 110 Kegs Powder — — 25 " 2750
" " 1400 lbs Lead . . — — 1400
" " Flints & box about — — — 50
8496

…operty) Stored at the Choctaw Agency and Fort Towson.

Pounds Kegs. Damaged	Flints No.	Lead lbs	Transportation of Rifles &c. from Fort Towson to the Public Ware House on the Arkansas at this Agency being the nearest point of navigation. *			
20	2500	408	No Waggons	pay per day for each waggon.	No days to perform the trip	Total expence
16	1670	1400				
36 *	4170	1808	4	$4.	20	$320

not be sold here
any price

* The Waggons will have to go from this place to Fort Towson as they cannot be procured there.

2 lbs each 4296 lbs
6 " 2750 "
1400 "
50 "
8496 lbs Would be 2124 lbs for each waggon which is considered a load, the damaged powder at Towson is not included.

Choctaw Agency Oct 14th 1835.

J. W. Millard

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F. W. Armstrong's

Report of Rifles, Powder, Lead and Caps on hand at the Choctaw Agency west, after Completing the issue to the Choctaws, under the treaty of 27th. Sept: 1830. –

Rec'd. 20 Augt. through Indian Office

Letter from Maj. Armstrong referred by Com. Ind. Affs. dated June 17. 1835.

Letter from J. M. Millard dated 4 Sept. 1835.

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Abstract of Articles remaining on hand in the Choctaw nation not complained with the Stipulations in the late Treaty made at Do

Places	Rifles			Pistols	Good gun powder	Bad gun
	In good order	In bad order	Broken	In bad order	number of keys.	number
Choctaw Agency	113	34	20	65	132 .	20
Fort Towson	340		18		110 .	16
Total	453	34	38	65	242	36

I Certify that the
on hand after C
Chactaws . under
30 Sess 1838.

in nation west, after completing the issues to the Choctaws as made at Dancing Rabbit Creek on the 27th of September 1830.

gun scrudes ber of keys.	Bad gun scrudes numbers keys	Flints	Lbs of Lead	Pcs of Cards	Remarks
132	20	2500	608	142	
110	16	1670	400	432	
242	36	4170	1808	574	

Note the above Articles are now after Completing the issues to the under the Late Treaty.

- 1838 -

J. W. Armstrong

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Copy

F. W. Armstrong
Choct. Agt. to E. Herring)
Com. Ind. Affs. - in relation to
18 prs. pistols for Choctaw
Chiefs.

Choct. Agy. Nov 27. 1834.

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Pistols procured for Mr.
Dennis, Philada. and ordered
to be shipped to Maj. A. Mc
New Orleans.

May 1835.

The Acct. of Mr. D. transfd.
to Ind. Office, appd by Judge Herring &
ordered to be paid &c
May 1835

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Copy.

Elbert Herring Esq
Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Choctaw Agency Nov. 27. 1834.

Sir,

I am requested by the Chiefs and Captains of this District most respectfully to ask of the Government pistols complete, for the Treaty Light Horse. This request is based on the fact to a certain extent, by the words of the Treaty their Light Horse may be called upon by the Agent to remove bad white men from their country, a duty that will be performed in all other nations by the troops.

They cannot but believe that the joint duty to be performed by their Light Horse, both for the good order of their people, and the accommodation of the Government of the United States, the pistols asked for will be given. There will be but Six Light Horse in each District, instead of Ten. This number will require but eighteen pair of pistols. If however they are mistaken, and Government will not grant this favor, they ask that the arms may be furnished them

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them, and they will pay for them out of their annuity. They wish them good, and at Government cost.

I have the honor &c. &c.

Sig.

F. W. Armstrong

C. A.

REPRODUCED AT THE NATIONA

Shipped, in good order and well conditioned, by Lieut A Mus. Asst Quarter Master of the United States Army, on board the good Steamer called the Revenue — whereof is Master for this present voyage, Moore — now lying in the Port of New Orleans and bound for {Mouth of Arkansas river —

To say:

U S.
Majr F. K. Armstrong
Choctaw Agency
West

One Box Pistols
weighing 125 lbs —

the property of the United States, being marked and numbered as in the margin, and to be delivered in the like good order and well conditioned, at the aforesaid Port of Mouth of Arkansas (the dangers of the ~~Seas~~ only excepted,) unto Mess Mapes, Ryan & Co.

Freight
125 lbs a 75 p. pr Mr. $0.94

or to his Assigns, ~~he or they paying~~ freight for the same to be paid at New Orleans by the Shipper at #75 cents per 100 lbs —

In witness whereof, the Master of the said vessel hath affirmed to ~~three~~ Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which Bills being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Dated at New Orleans this 3d day of September 1835.

Henry Talcott

Jl. [redacted] Ens.y Choate

J. A. Phillips

West Point, 20th April 1833-

Explanatory of the au.r

of P Campbell C

to Jad. Gonzalez April 1833.

The Letter Serviced

Ch.f Eng.r Geo. Gibson,

Comd.g Eng.r

Engineer of Chiefs. Drawing to

Ind.

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Recd April 23d.

West Point, N. Y.
April 20th 1835.

General,

I received a letter this morning from Mr Philip Campbell, of Nashville, one of the Asst Agents engaged in the emigration of the Choctaw Indians in the Fall of 1833, on the subject of the charge in his account for transportation from Nashville to the West agency, Dept.

His account requires some explanation, since that item has been disallowed at our Office.

In praying Mr Campbell to Memphis, he requested that I would insert in his account the charge above referred to, but as there were doubts in my own mind as to the correctness of the charge I declined,

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at first, deny so; but finally offered to insert it for the purpose of bringing the question of the charge - promising to refund & him the amount of this item in his account, provided it should be allowed by our Office.

This course was adopted by me having any pecuniary responsibility if the charge should be disallowed; anticipating as a consequence that the disallowance would be charged against me in the final settlement of my accounts for disbursements in the Choctaw removal.

I

I beg to be informed if this is in your power, when my accounts for disbursements in the emigration of the Choctaws in the fall of 1832 & 33, may be finally settled.

I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
J. H. Phillips
A. A. G.

Brig. Genl.
Geo. Sykes
Comdg. 1st Brig. 1st Div.
5th A. C.

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Copy.

Philip Campbell's
Acct for Services in
the Choctaw Emig.n

$103.50

enclosed

Ltr P. Campbell's Letter to Maj.
Lewis which enclosed his
Acc.t. See letters referred.
Ent.d W.B.

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Copy.

The United States

to Philip Campbell. Dr.

1833

Nov. 20. To my services as Disb.g Agt Choctaw Emigration
from 15th Nov.r to 20th inclusive 26 days at $3 pr. day ..... 80 —
Transportation returning from Rock Roe to
Danville 353 miles at 10 cts. pr. mile 35

Dolls. 115.
25

$. 90
Deductions 18:500

Dolls: 101.50

Deduct from the above acct. $25 paid by
C. Phillips to Mr. Campbell in 4 Dec.r
1833 and disapproved by Com.r General of
Emigration. — See letter to 2nd Audr.
dated 16 Jan. 1835.

copy

The United States to Philip Campbell Dr.

1833 Nov.	1	To his Amt. for crossing Miss.ri River	50
	2	" " " dinner	50
	3	" " " dinner	50
	4	" " " dinner & pass. feed	62
	8	" " " dinner & horse feed	63
	10	" " " dinner & horse feed	50
	11	" " " dinner & horse feed	50
	12	" " " dinner & horse feed	62
	13	" " " dinner & horse feed	75
	14	" " " dinner & horse feed	75
	15	" " " Self and horse, & for crossing Mississippi River & breakfast	2 13
	16	" " " Self & horse & Turnpike gate	1 13
	17	" " " Self & horse & Turnpike gate	1 12
	18	" " " Self & horse & two Turnpike gates	1 13
	"	" " " Crossing Tennessee River	25
	19	" " " Self & horse	87
	20	" " " Self & horse	1
		Dollars	13.50

I do certify that the above acct. is correct, and that I have received no part of it, from any Disbursing Agent

Nov. 21. 1834. Sigd / Philip Campbell Asst Agt
Choctaw Nation

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Copy

Nashville 1st Aug. 1834.

Sir,

You were paid at Memphis by Lt. Phillips up to the 1st Nov. 1833 - after which you accompanied the party thro' the Swamp to Rock Roe. On uniting the party that went by water with the one by land, your Services were no longer needed and you were discharged on the 20 Novemba. Owing to the circumstance of your being at the Ferry on White River, and Capt. Page being at the boat about four miles off, you were not paid when discharged. I consider you entitled to the 20 days pay, with your expenses from Memphis to Rock Roe, and transportation back to Nashville. You will have to make application to Genl. Gibson, Com.r Gen.l of Subsistence, Washington for pay.

Respectfully

Sig.d Wm. Armstrong

Maj. Philip Lampkin
Davidson County

92. [redacted] Sioux / Choctaw

Lt. J. A. Phillips
West Point 24th Apl. 1835
says the letter mentioned
that of 20th has not come to hand &

Ordnance Service

Emigration of Indians,
Commr. Gen. Subs.
Drawing &c.
&c.

Rec'd 29 Apl

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Rec'd 27 April 35

West Point N. Y.
April 24th 1835.

General,

Your letter of the 20th Inst reached me Yesterday. The letter therein referred to in relation to my accounts in the Removal of Indians has not been received.—

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obt Svt
Lt. Phillips
U. S. A.

Brigr. Genl
Geo: Gibson
Washington City

94 Emig Choctaws

Capt. J. A. Phillips
West Point, 28th Apl. 1835.
Maj. Genl Atkinson
23d April

Emigration of Indians,
Commd. Gen. Gaines.
Washington.

Recd 1 May

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Rec'd May 1.

General,

West Point, N. Y.
April 28th 1835.

Your letter of the 23rd inst was received yesterday, with a copy of the Statement of my accounts for expenditures in the removal & subsistence of Indians after examination in Your Office". The account current to which You refer as being inclosed with Your letter of the 23rd inst did not come to hand.

This subject shall receive my earliest attention.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Very respectfully
Your obedient
servant.

Lt. J. Sherburne
U.S.A.

Brig. Gen.
Gen. Gibson
C. G. S.
Washington City.

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Commissary Gen'l of Subs. LR 1835 R--

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Emig 38 Choctaw

G. S. Rains

Fort Gibson, 15th Nov.

1834.

Contents (a Provision) Return

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Rec.d 5 Jany 1805

Genl Geo. Gibson
Com.y Genl Subs

Fort Gibson
November 15.th 1804

Sir! Herewith I hand the honor to forward a Provision-Return, which completes my duties towards that Department.

The Salt, therein expressed, exhibits more issued than received, and it becomes me here to observe, that the salt part of the ration I have invariably found too great, and that very often the Indian did not take it away.

When 2 quarts to 100 rations were issued I never heard a complaint of that quantity, for this People do not consume Salt like ourselves but most often jerk their fresh meat without salt, & eat their provisions too fresh to be palatable to us.

I am Sir
very respectfully
your Most Obt. Servt
G. D. Paine Lt. & A. Com.y

Return of Provisions explanatory of the Accts of Lt. G. J. Rains Disbg Agent Choctaw Subsistence West — between the 1st Oct. 1832 & 15 Sept. 1834

The original referred to the Off. Com. Gen. Subs.

Feby. 4. 1837

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Explanatory Return of Provisions received and issued by Lieut the Choctaw Nation from 1st October 1832 to 15th September 1834.

Date	From whom received	Flour Barrels	Flour Pounds	Damaged Flour Barrels	Damaged Flour Pounds	9. D. L. C.
See Return Ind: Dept 4th qr 1832	Lieut St. J. Raines A.A. C. S.	.				
. . . . 2d " 1833	. . . " " "			7		
April 1833.	Capt. J. Taylor Com. Subs. . . .	250				12
	Total to be accounted for	250		7		12
Accounted for in Return Ind. Dept. ends 4th quarter 1832						
" " " " " 1 " 1833						
. . . . . 2 . .		24		7		
. . . . . 3 . .		12	13			.
. . . . . 4 . "		112	107			5.
. . . . . 1st . 1834		11	114			.
. . . . . 2d . .		10	96			1;
Issued: J. St. S.F. Davis	A.C.S. at Fort Smith for Receipt	60				2
" Ditto "	Ditto "	18				1.
" Ditto .	Ditto "					
. Lieut S. W. Moore	Disby Agent Ind. Remt. Subs.					
Sold		1	62			.
Lost						
	Total issued	250		7		12
	On hand					

by Lieut G. J. Rains U. S. & Disby Agent at Fort Smith and in
or 1834 in the Army and Indian Subsistence Departments.

Damaged Flour		Pork		Old condemned Pork		Soap		Vinegar		Candles		
Barrels	Pounds	Barrels	Pounds	Barrels	Pounds	Pounds	Ounces	Gallons	Gills	Pounds	Ounces	
				178								
7												
		120				1770		513	16	814		
7		120		178		1770		513	16	814		
				7	173							See letter to Com. Gen. Subs.
				10	.							
7				28	78¾							
		4	56	24	94½							
		50	26⅞	15	56½							
		6	87	91	197½							
		19	3½									
		25						37	16	333		
		14								111		
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						1587		190	16	333		
		1	27									
						183		253		37		
7		120		178		1770		513		814		

I certify &c
Signed (G. J. Rains)

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Letter to Genl. Gibson
~~Commy~~ Subsistence Dept Gen Subs.
Washington City

Lt. G. I. Ranies
Fort Gibson, June 2 1833

Relative to his being
relieved from Service in
Indian Emigration, and
complaining of the Agency
of Major J. W. Armstrong
in having been relieved

Leaves 30.

Ans.d 3d [illegible]

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comdg Genl Subs

Ft Gibson
June 2nd 1835.

Sir. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a communication from the Secty of War stating that a want of courtesy to those with whom I was brought into contact in my duties as Disbursing Agent, was the cause of my being relieved therein.

Also that I learn from Capt J. Brown. Prin. Dis. Ag. to whom I was lacking in courtesy. I cannot answer the charge, but I will venture to predict, with a certificate which I have & others which I can obtain, to refute the accusation substantially. It may not be amiss to add that Capt J. Brown was duly warned of the attempt which would probably be made to have me relieved, and the cause thereof as stated in mine to the Secty of War of 12th Jany 1835 - but it lay in the Office at Little Rock until his return from Washington City.

The reason that I can ascribe for [illegible] in this matter, is that I am credibly informed that Maj. Armstrong has said "I be G—d D—d if I don't one of those persons who like to have the last blow" and that in pursuance of which

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he has forwarded accusations against me, without foundation
or facts presented, which would otherwise redound to my credit.
I have also understood that, Maj. Armstrong explains
his supplying corn for Choctaw rations, by stating he merely
changed corn with the Contractor (a Mr. Moore). Now I was told
that he gave Mr. Moore or his Agent Bigelow about 20 cents
per bushel for their damaged corn & for his own, supplied the
Indians, he was to get one dollar per bushel from the Contra-
-ctor. The following letter on the subject, from one of
the Proprietors is to the purpose dated Fort Smith 15 March 1834

"Sir. I have been informed by persons entitled to credit.
"that you have permitted the corn to be issued to the Indians
"that was condemned by you as not merchantable last fall.
"As I know of no process by which damaged corn can be converted
"into good & merchantable corn, unless it be by Contractors selling
"to an Agent, which process is rather expensive to me, you will
"confer a favour on me by stating in writing whether you permitted
"the corn to be issued, and your reasons for so doing. As I am person-
"ally interested. I hope you will not think me impertinent

"Lieut G. J. Raines
"Disbursing Agent.

Your respectfully
{sign'd} Josiah Bigelow

I certify that the above is a true Copy
G. J. Raines
Lt. 7th Inf.

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which letter refers to the corn, which was issued to the starving Indians & which Maj. A. sold to himself. (See letter dated Jany 6th 1834)

But I am sorry so far to be an accuser, my wish only being to defend myself, and in mine to the Sec'y of War, I simply narrated a tale, believing that the facts therein exhibited could not be controverted, and to whatever charge laid upon me, before Heaven I am compelled to say - had others served their red people with but half the zeal that I have done, I could not now declare, that the worst provisions they ever received, to my knowledge was issued from the Crib of the Choctaw Agent.

As referred to my papers forwarded will probably explain all subjects of abnormal appearance connected with my duties in the Ind. Dept. Should they not I wish such duly investigated, or at least to be made acquainted therewith that I may properly controvert them. Regretting exceedingly that I am thus compelled to trouble you - with sentiments of the highest respect & esteem - I remain

Your Obt. Servt.

G. W. Ramsey
U. S. 7th Inf

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Envg - 86 Choctaws

Lt. G. J. Rains
Fort Gibson Jany 6 1835

Sends an explanatory
Provision Return.

Says May F. W.
Armstrong purchased
damaged Corn at 20 or
25 Cents per bus. when
good Corn sold at $2.
& $1.50 and caused
the same to be issued to
the suffering Choctaws

Gen.l Geo. Gibson
Comy Gen.l Subs.

Fort Gibson
Jany 6th 1833

Sir! I have the honor to forward an Explanatory-Return of provision, showing the relation bearing which the supplies have, to both Army and Indian Depts, & which I conceive to be necessary for a proper adjustment, inasmuch as the old and condemned Pork, except for what it brought, I consider to have been valueless.

The provision received from Capt J Taylor C.S. in part were submerged in the great rise of the Arkansas river of 1832 but so as not to injure them materially, except perhaps in causing leaks in some of the Vinegar & pork barrels.

It becomes my duty to inform you of the following facts which are given with no view to a recrimination.

In the month of November 1832, Mr. Moore Agent for the Contractor C. V. Howel having stored corn for issue to Indians at Swallow Rock, I understood that Maj.r T. Armstrong (on inspection of the same I suppose) had declared that the Indians should not receive it.

Having always made it a matter of conscience never to give the Indians, what I would not eat myself, I went down & inspected the corn, with Mr. McClellan and out of a barrel full, I found but a single ear good, upon close inspection what was not rotten I found weavel in, though much of it look good, I therefore condemned the whole, about 600 or 700 Bushels.

This corn was afterwards sold to Majr. T. W. Armstrong at about 20 or 25 cts per bushel, the price of sound corn being at $2. or $1.50 per Bush.o.

In the month of February following Majr. T. W. Armstrong called upon me to report what I thought was the condition of the Choctaws, as regards subsisting themselves, which I did, and which he laid before the Ms. Commissioners at Fort Gibson for Indian affairs.

Upon which authorising him to purchase 205 Barrels of corn for the indigent Choctaws he got his Sub Agent Capt. D. McClellan to inspect the above mentioned corn, reported as I was informed, who pronounced it good - that is "Tellus thus done" and it was turned over to me for issue.

About ⅔ of the corn was issued & no judgement was left to me, by either Commissioner or Agent, I give none, but in form you that this corn you will find accounted for, in Abstract of issues to suffering Choctaws forwarded some time since as issued from Majr. Armstrong's Office.

I am Sir

very respectfully

your Mo. Obt. Servt

G. S. Rains.

Lt. 7th Inf.B.

Enos 87 Choctaws

Lt. G. J. Rains
Fort Gibson Jany 12th 1835

In relation to a certificate given to Genl Arbuckle about the Complaint to Genl Gen conditionally to have furnished Lt. R. for the Choctaws, but which was swept away by a freshet in the Arkansaw.

Feb. 12.

Rec.d 12 feby

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comy Genl Subs

Wat Gibson
Jany 12th. 1833—

Sir! Genl. Arbuckle having called upon me, I gave him a certificate of which the following is a copy.

"At the request of Genl. Arbuckle I certify to the following "understanding.

"Sometime early in the month of April 1832, I met with "Colo M. Arbuckle at Capt Stuarts quarters at Fort Smith, and "upon an offer made by him, we had an understanding that if the "Corn at his farm about 25 miles below Fort Smith. A.T. should be "wanted for the use of the Indian Dept. Indian Subsistence or Ad. "Treaties, that I would send for it, and purchase it, provided that "the lowest current price which he was to get for it, were more "than 50 cents per bushel. (signed) G.J. Raines A.P.M. & Ex-Dis. Ag.t Ind. Rem & Subs

As regards the information in Affidavit of Mr. Wrench, my impression is, that no such application was ever made, but only "our agreement as an offer made by Col. Arbuckle, of which the "Dept. was to profit or not according as its interests suggested, my present impression is, that had Mr. Wrench called upon me to "forego the understanding on my part, I should have refused, as a "thing with which he had nothing to do, provided that he gave Col. Arbuckle "more than 50 cts per bush. for his Corn. (signed) G.J. Raines A.P.M. Ind. Ter

For further information on this subject you are respectfully referd to Majr. Hook. C.S.

Genl Arbuckle sends for me, and in his conversation with me on

the foregoing Subject, says that were he to prosecute me he could get pay for his cows, that I could give him a certificate, without committing myself I need not tell you. That when I hear such as the above, I loose the feeling of an honest man, and must say I cannot see the distinction between a threat of consequences and the offer of a reward. To the Gentleman's dissatisfaction at the foregoing certificate, I must say that the gold of Peru cannot make me alter it.

Gen.l Arbuckle doubtless intends to prosecute his claim, notwithstanding a conversation with him, wherein I advised him to read his own letter & see if they did not contradict it, and told him that I had offer of cows after his offer at 50 cents, & would not buy, that Government rather had a claim for about $4000 when the Creaws, with a former & similar understanding went & were refused cows at his place, that in all my bargains & those of my Agents, an object was ever in view not to lay the Dept liable even, that I considered others had equally as good a claim with whom I have been dealing (that is no claim at all); that should the Dept chose to take the depositions of myself, and the agents of Govt. then under me, that it would go in[illegible] that the idea conveyed to my mind, by the relation of the fact connected with the refusing to sell his cows, to the firm of Coffee & Co. was, not because that it was considered sold to Govt but that the offer was too low, & it was thought that Govt. meant to give more, I have often told him when he mentioned prosecuting me for the amount that he was at liberty to do so.

Now Sir conceive my situation here with my friendly feelings towards this Gentleman, who has ever hitherto been kind to me, & ask yourself if it is agreeable?

In front way

In conclusion I must beg that the Dept will relieve me from this business as it is a public matter, determined in either way.

I am Sir
very respectfully
your mo. Obt. Servt.
G. J. Rains.
Lt. 7th Inf.

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Encl. 134. Created
U. S. Dr. A. Stephenson
Fort Towson, 30. Nov.
1834.

Rec'd & the 3 Circular
of the 6th & 8th October.

Encloses Abst: of
Disbts for Contingencies
in Nov. 1834.

All the Choctaw claims
are for Cattle have been
paid and the overplus
of the funds placed in
his hands for that purpose
have been turned over to
Capt: Boyce.

Rec'd 5. Dany:

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Rec'd. Jany 5. 1835.

Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty
November 30th 1834

Sir

Your Letter and Circular of the 6th and 8th October have been received.

Herewith enclose an Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies for November 1834.

All the Choctaw Claimants for relinquished Cattles agreeably to the Rolls sent me, have been paid, and the overplus of the Funds placed in my hands for that purpose, has by the request of Capt Brown been turned over to him. So soon as my accounts are completed I will forward them.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Jas. A. Stephenson
U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Aff.s

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General Subsistence
Washington City

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies of the Choctaw Indians by Lieut. James R. Stephenson U.S. Army Dis. Agt. Choct. Remk. for the months of November 1834

Date	To whom Paid	For what Paid	Amt. Dlls	Cts	Remarks
1834 Novr 24.	Reuben Saylor	Superintending the issue at Horse Prairie Depot	6	00	Services discontinued

Dated November 30th 1834

I Certify on Honor that the above Abstract is just and true

Jas R. Stephenson
1st Lt. U.S. Army
Dist. Agt. Choctaw Affs

Lt. A. P. Stephenson
Fort Towson, 21. Dec.
1834.

Encloses a List of
Choctaw Claimants for
relinquished Cattle.
4to and 4th assessment
Returns with Several
Certificates — the whole
were handed him by
Major Armstrong.

Rec'd 23 Jany.

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Rec'd Jany 23. 1835.

Ft. Towson West of Ark. Ty
December 21st 1834.

Sir

I herewith enclose a list of Choctaw Claimants for cattle, which they say were turned over to Government, East of the Mississippi, and were to be replaced by others after their Emigration. besides this list I enclose several certificates with an appraisement Return, it appears all the Certificates are not entered in this Return, the whole were handed to me by Major Armstrong Choctaw Agent.

Among the papers enclosed you will find a statement, made by Benjamin James of the Number of his Cattle sold East of the Mississippi, and the Number he was to have received on his Arrival in his new Country, this Number is entered in the list. I have compared all the enclosed claims, with the Statements of Choctaw Cattle claims furnished me from your Office, and find none of them to agree.

I also enclose a claim of John F. Price for the loss of an Ox, with a certificate on the back from Major Armstrong.

I am unable to furnish you with any evidence as to the Correctness of the enclosed claims.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt
Jas. R. Stephenson
1st. U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Emt.

Emigration of Indians
Comr. Genl. Subs.
Washington City

The following Persons of the Choctaw Nation, have stated to the Agent
Agents East of Mississippi the following description of Cattle

Names of Choctaws	District	Cows & Calves	Cows	Bulls	Oxen	Heifers	Yearlings	&c
Adam Nail	Kittanechake	2	–	–	–	–		
Nook-cha-a-tubbee	do	2	*2	–	–	–	–	
Na-ca-abbee-ma	Not Known	1	–	–	–	–	–	
Benjamin James	Mushulatubbee	20	–	–	–	–	–	
Matthew McLaughlin	"	3	–	–	*1	–	1	
Andrew Kincaid	"	–	1	–	1	–	1	

the Agents of Maj. J. W. Armstrong that they turned over to them

Ute and which were to be replaced to them after their Emigration to

Genealogy	To whom delivered	Remarks
	[illegible]	
		* Barren
		* 3 years old

Jas. R. Stephenson
A. A. U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Nat.

James P. Stephenson

Fort Towson 4. Jany.

1835

Encloses an Ac current and
abst. of Expenditures & Capt. C
Brown's receipt for $ 332 7. cts
on account of funds for the
purchase of relinquished Cattle
for Choctaw emigrants.

Explains the cause of
the discrepancy between the
number of cattle admitted for
and the number contracted for.

Laura Wilson

Recd. 7. Feb.

Rec.d 7th Feby. 1835

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty.
January 4th. 1835

Sir

I herewith enclose my Account Current, with Abstract of Expenditures and Capt J. Brown's Receipt for $2227 50/100 on account of Funds for the purchase of relinquished Cattle for Choctaw Emigrants. I also enclose the Wills on which the claimants were paid, with the original Contracts for furnishing them.

The Cattle furnished on these Contracts were of excellent quality and gave general satisfaction to the Indians.

On comparing the Contracts with my advertisements you will find them to vary in the Number of Head of Cattle. In order to explain this, I will state that at the time the Cattle were advertised for, it was supposed that Betsy Bell one of the Claimants resided on the Mountain Fork, but afterwards finding she resided near the Choctaw Agency on the Arkansas, I had her claim (7 Head) entered in that Contract with the consent of the Contractor. The claim of Laura Wilson (35 Head) was entered in the advertisement to be delivered at Old Miller Court House, and it was not until the advertisement was published that I found she had not emigrated; by consent of the Contractor her claim was not entered in the Contracts. Some of her heirs are here who were desirous of receiving the Cattle, but I did not feel myself authorised to purchase them, inasmuch as she has not emigrated.

Very Respectfully

Quarterly Statements of Agents and others employed in the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaw Indians in the Quarter ending the Thirty first day of December 1834 by Lieut. James R. Stephenson U. S. Army. Disb. Agt. Choctaw Rem.l

No.	Names	Stations	Dates of Employment	Compensation	Remarks
1	P. M.c Kinley	Fort Towson	6th Decr 1831	$ 50 per month.	Clerk for Lt. Jas. R. Stephenson U.S.A.
2	Jas. Ponsoy	Mountn Fork	1st March 1832	$66 " "	Assistant

Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disb. Agt. Choctaw Rem.l

Lt. J. R. Stephenson

Statement Alterations &c
4th Qr. 1834

Choctaws West

Rec'd 7 Feb. 1835.

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Statement, Showing the alterations of the Emigrant Choctaws by Births Deaths &c in the Quarter ending the Thirty first day of December 1834. by Lieut. James R. Stephenson U. S. Army Disby Agt Choct Remk.

No. of Emigrant Choctaws drawing Rations last Statement	To be deducted: No. of Choctaws who have received Horse Guns		To be deducted: Total Number	Remaining	To be added: Since last Statement		To be added: Total No. Remaining and will be drawing Rations	
1072	674	.	674	398	3	.	401	

Jas. R. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disby Agt. Choctaw Rem.

138. Ency Quarters

James R. Stephenson

Fort Towson, 4 Quarr.

1835.

Enclosed accounts for 4 Qr. 1834.

The services of James Penney will be discontinued after the end of the Month of January

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Rec'd Feby 1835

Fort Towson West of Ark Ty
January 4th 1835

Sir

Enclosed you will receive the following Returns & Account Current with Abstract of Disbursements for Emigrancies, Return of Property, Quarterly Statement of Agents and Statement of Allowances &c for the 4th Quarter 1834. The services of James Penny will be discontinued so soon as the issues in this month are completed.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Jas R. Stephenson
Lt U.S. Army
Disby Agt Choctaw Nation

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General Subsistence
Washington City

Entry 141. Choctaws

Lt. J. R. Stephenson
Fort Towson Feb. 1st 1833
Sends Monthly Abstract
of disbursements for
Contingencies for July
The years supply for
Choctaws under his charge
was completed in the
July issue.

Rec'd 7 March

Rec'd of Mar. 1

Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty
February 1st 1835.

Sir

I herewith enclose my Monthly Abstracts of Disbursement for Contingencies for January 1835.

The years supply of Provisions to the Emigrant Choctaws who have been under my charge was completed in the January issue. This issue was made in advance, with the sanction of Capt Brown and agreeably with the wishes of the Emigrants.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.
Jas. A. Stephenson
A. A. I. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Emg.

Emigration of Indians
Commissary General Subsistence
Washington City

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Lt. J. R. Stephenson's

Monthly Abstract Disbursements
for Contingencies
January 1835

Rec'd March 7th

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies of the Choctaw Indians by Lieut James H. Stephenson U. S. Army Dis. Agt. Choctaw Remt. for the month of January 1835.

Date	To whom Paid	For what Paid	Amt Dlls	Amt cts	Remarks
1835 January 2d	Boyd & Co. Clerk	Superintending the issue at Fort Towson Depot	2	50	Services discontinued
" 16	James Pomroy	Assistant &c	34	06½	" "
			36	56½	

Dated January 31st 1835

I Certify on Honor that the above Abstract is just and true.

Jas. D. Stephenson
1st U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Rem.l

14 Gr. Emig. Chrokee

Sr. J. R. Stephenson
March 29th 1835.

Has rec. letters of 7th 11th 14th
& 17th Feb.

Sends a certificate to be
attached to vouchers No 6.
of his qrly acct. 4 qr. 1834

Rec. 29 April

Rec'd Apl. 29.

Fort Towson West of Ark. Ty
March 29th 1835

Sir

Your letters of the 7th 11th 14th and 17th February have been received

Agreeably to your instructions I herewith enclose a certificate to be attached to Voucher No 6 (George C. Gooding's account) of my Quarterly Accounts for the 4th Quarter 1834

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.
Jas. D. Stephenson
A. C. S. Army
Disby. Agt. Choctaw Nation

Certfe attached to V[illegible]
Apl 29. [illegible]

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Lt. J. R Stephenson
Fort Towson, 5 Apl 1835

Instr, acc. Current Exp.

Rec'd 7 May

Rec. May 7.

Fort Towson West of Arkk Ty
April 5th 1835

Sir

Herewith you will receive the following papers for the 1st Quarter 1835 — Account Current with Abstracts of Disbursements for Contingencies and Transportation, Quarterly Statement of Agents, Return of Property and Statement of Alterations — The Vouchers (Pay Roll &c) to my Abstract of Disbursements for Transportation I have sent to Capt Brown for his examination, with a request that he will forward it to you —

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.
Jas. A. Stephenson
A. A. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Emg.

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Washington City
(D. C.)

Quarterly Statement of Agents and others employed in the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaw Indians in the Quarter ending the Thirty [illegible] day of [illegible] March 1833, by Lieut James W. Stephenson U.S. Army Disby Agt Choctaw [illegible]

No	Names	Station	Date of Employment	Compensation		Remarks
1	P. [illegible] Kinley	Fort Towson Depot	6 Dec[r] 1831	$50	per Month	Clerk for Lieut Jas W. Stephenson U.S. Army
2	James Penney	Steam Mill "	1 March 1832	$66	"	Assistant Services discontinued

Jas W. Stephenson
Lt. U.S. Army
Disby. Agt. Choctaw &c.

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Statement showing the Alterations of the Emigrant Choctaws by Births & deaths &c in the Quarter ending the Thirty first day of March 1835 by Lieut James R. Stephenson U. S. Army Dist'g Agt. Choct. Emt. —

Number of Emigrant Choctaws drawing Rations Last Statement	To be deducted			Remaining
	Number who have received their Grass Supply		Total Number	
401	401	—	401	

Lt. J. R. Stephenson
U. S. Army
Dist'g. Agt. Choctaw Em.ts

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Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies of the Choctaw Indians by Lieut. Jas. H. Stephenson U. S. Army Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Agency for the month of April 1835—

Date	To whom paid	For what paid	Amount Dlls.	Amount cts	Remarks
1835— April 27th	P. McKinley	Services a Clerk to Lt. Jas. H. Stephenson	43	33⅓	Services discontinued

30th April 1835

I certify on honor that the above Abstract is just & true—

Jas. H. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disbg. Agt. Choctaw Agency

Emig 135 Cheviots

Lt. J. R. Stephenson
Jeffn Co Towson, 3d mo 35

He has rd the
Circular of 21st March

Having forwarded
his money &c before the
Reception of the Circular
he will have to Refund
the am. paid to him off
from 3d & 31. March

17 June

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Rec'd 17 June

Fort Towson (Choctaw Nation)
3rd May 1834

Sir

Your Circular of the 21st March enclosing Order No. 14. has been received—

Herewith you will receive my Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies for April 1834.

My Money Accounts for the 1st Quarter present year were closed and forwarded before the reception of your Circular, I have consequently to refund the Amount paid myself from the 3rd to the 31st March—

I am Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Jas. D. Stephenson
Lt. U. S. Army
Disby. Agt. Choctaw Nat.

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Com. Genl. of Subsistence
Washington D.C.

U. S. Navy Chronicle

From
Capt. Jas R. Stephenson
Fort Gibson, 21 July 35

Rec'd. letter of 7 May —
Encloses Acct. Current, Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies, Quarterly Statement of Ord. & Return of property for 2nd Qr. ds

25th August

Rec'd. Augt 25.

Fort Gibson
July 21st 1835.

Sir

Your letter of the 7th ofsay has been received.
I herewith enclose the following papers Viz: Account Currents with Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies, Quarterly Statements of Agents and a Return of Property for the 2d Quarter 1835. The Steelyards reported as worn out in this Return, should have been entered in the last. These Returns were delayed in consequence of not being able to obtain Capt. Brown's receipts for the balance of funds belonging to the Choctaw Removal and Subsistence.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt.
Jas. H. Stephenson
Capt. 7th Inft.
Disbg. Agt. Sub. Dept.

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Washington City
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Capt L.R. Stephenson

Quarterly Statement
of Agents &c.
2nd Qr. 1835

Recd. 25 Augt.

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Quarterly Statement of Agents and others employed in the Removal and Subsistence of the Choctaw Indians in the Quarter ending the thirtieth day of June 1835. by Lieut James H. Stephenson U.S. Army Disbg Agt. Choct. Rem.ls

No	Names	Stations	Date of Employment	Compensation	Remarks
1	P. McKinley	Fort Towson	6th Dec 1831	$50 per month	Clerk for Lt Jas H. Stephenson U.S. Army {Services discontinued

Jas H. Stephenson
U.S. Army
Disbg Agt Choctaw Rem.ls

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Capt. Jas. [redacted] Stephenson

Ft. Gibson, 23. Sept 1835

Has rec'd. letter of 22d. July & 3d. Augt. — had closed Money Accts. in Removal Debts. Choctaws in turning over balance due by him to Capt. Brownlee. — Encloses Copy of Majesty, in answer to his enquiries of Sept. 13., relative to Med. Chest. — Has no money States the Inds. object to having the cattle branded & Wishes the brand of Irons.

Ft. Gibson
Sept 23d

19 Oct

Rec'd. Oct 19.

Fort Gibson
September 28th 1835.

Sir

Your letters of the 23rd July and 3rd August, have been received. Previous to the reception of your last letter I had closed my Money accounts in the Removal and Subsistence of Cherokees by turning over the balance due by me to Capt Brown as you will see on reference to my Returns forwarded under date of 31st July 1835. Some delay in answering your letter has occurred in consequence of my having to write to Capt Brown for information in relation to the Cherokee Chiefs referred to, as turned over to Mr. Fletcher by me. The answer to my inquiries I received from Capt Brown the enclosed Certificate.

In relation to the Branding Irons, I will state that they were all stolen by the Indians notwithstanding the greatest precautions, some were taken off on three days by the Indians, a number of whom strongly objected to have their Cattle Branded, and the presumption was took this means to gratify their wishes.

Very Respectfully
Your Obed't Serv't
Jas. A. Stephenson
Capt. U. S. Army
Disb'g Agt. Ind. Rem'l

Certificate filed with Property Returns.
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Washington City
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From

Capt. Jas. N. Stephenson

Fort Gibson, 7 Oct. 1835-

Acknowledges letter of 27th August.— Encloses Acct Current with Abstract of Disbursements &c. for 3d Qr. 1835.

3 Nos

Re Emr.

Fort Gibson
October 7th 1835

Sir

Your letter of the 27th August 1835. has been received. I herewith enclose my Account Current with Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies, Quarterly Statements of Agents, Return of Property and Muster Roll of Emigrant Creeks for the 3d Quarter 1835.

You will perceive I still retain in my employment the same Clerk I had with me when engaged with the Choctaws. He has been retained by me in consequence of his perfect knowledge of doing business with the Indians and with the approbation of Capt. Brown.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt.
Jas. R. Stephenson
Capt. U. S. Army
Disby Agt. (Creeks)

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Commissary General of Subsistence
Washington

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Quarterly Statement of Agents and others employed in the Removal and Subsistence of the Creek Indians for the quarter ending the Thirtieth day of September 1835, by Capt James H. Stephenson U.S Army Disbursing Agent Creeks

Names	Station	Date of Employment	Compensation	Remarks
P. McKinley	Fort Gibson	1st July 1835	$50 per month	Clerk for Capt Jas H. Stephenson U.S. Army

Jas H. Stephenson
Capt U.S Army
Disbg. Agt. Creeks

185. Army Choctaw

Capt. Jas. Bonneville Stephenson

Fort Gibson, 15 Oct. 1835

Refers to last sent him, with letter of 20th Sept. of Public Property turned over by him to Mr. Fletcher. Asks that the latter exonerate him of all further liability — that the Mr. Chest certified to by Capt. Bonneville, & part of the property turned over, & that it is probable the other articles will be used at Little Rock at the same time.

Encloses letter from Capt. B. on the subject & explains matters set forth in his of 3rd Sept. 34, as all the arrangements to be examined respecting the disposal of the property.

Relates to the commissaries erected by him on the Choctaw Nation.

14th Janry.

Rec'd 14 Jany.

Fort Gibson
December 15th 1835

Sir

Accompanying your letter of the 20th October last, you send me a list of Articles of Public Property, placed by me in the hands of Sft Fletcher Wagon Master who was at the time connected in the Removal of Choctaws.

You say that these Articles still stand as a suspension in the settlement of my accounts, and require me to say what became of them.— Your letter exonerates me from any further liability, on the Certificate of Capt Brown for a Medicine Chest— This Medicine Chest constituted a portion of the Property turned over by me to Sft Fletcher Wagon Master, at the same time with the other property, it is therefore quite probable that these Articles were turned into the Public Store house at Little Rock at the same time the Chest was. I enclose a Copy of a Letter to me from Capt Brown on the subject of these Articles. This is all the evidence I can furnish you, in addition to my letter on the subject heretofore sent you, an Extract from which is as follows.

(Extract) Fort Towson.
5th October 1834

Sir

"Your Letter of the 22d August has been received. This "letter says that the receipt of George Fletcher U.S. Wagon Master, "for certain Articles of Public Property turned over to him by me "cannot be recognized. In relation to these Articles, I will state "that when I receipted for them it was not my design to make "myself accountable for them any farther than to have them re- "turned to Little Rock when they might again be applied to

"Public purposes. a few days after the Public Waggons under the
"charge of George Fletcher being about to return to Little Rock, I
"directed him to take charge of the Articles (requiring his receipt) and
"on his Arrival at Little Rock to turn them over to Capt Brown.—
"Until the reception of your letter I was not aware but this had
"been done. I have written to Capt Brown on the subject of these
"Articles, requesting him to give you such information as he may
"possess on the subject"

In relation to the two Cribs erected by me in the Choctaw Nation, I will state that for some time previous to my closing my business with them, the Cribs were so much dilapidated as to be useful for any purpose without expensive repairs:- probably two or three were partially repaired with my sanction at the Depot near Fort Towson by the Postmaster at that place (Ft. Alexander) for temporary Store Houses, two others as well as I recollect at the Fountain Fork depot with my sanction were repaired by an Indian Trader with the understanding that the United States could take possession whenever circumstances required it.— Any repairs to these Cribs by the United States would have been an unnecessary expense, and had the repairs been made as before stated, by the time I left the Choctaw Nation they could not have been applied to any useful purpose as a Store House— in this condition I left them as worn out in Public Service.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Jas. R. Stephenson
Capt. U.S. Army
Disby. Asst. Ind. Affrs.

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Com. Genl. of Subs.
Washington
D. C

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(Copy)

Fort Coffee
Septr. 12th 1833.

Sir

Yours of the 8th has been received. Herewith you will receive my Certificate of the delivery of a Medicine Chest by Mr. Geo. Fletcher, in the latter part of 1832, or first part of 1833. Mr. Fletcher delivered other Articles of Property in the Public Store at Little Rock, that had been used in the Removal of Indians in the Autumn of 1832, but what they were or by whom sent, unaccompanied as they were by Invoices - it is impossible for me now to designate what was stored; similar Articles of property were also delivered in Store, by other persons Steamboats, with return Teams from the Frontier of that years Emigration.

All the property was duly reported to the Department, and I think I stated the manner of its coming into possession, as well as from whom it was received as far as I was enabled to do, at the time of reporting it. The whole of the property (except One Hospital Tent and Two Medicine Chests) have been sold. The Sales of same were rendered with 2nd Qrs Accts Current year.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Signed, P. Brown Capt U.S.A.
Po. Dis. Agt Ind. Remd

Capt J. R. Stephenson
(Dist Agt Ind Remt.
Fort Gibson

A. True Copy
Jas R. Stephenson
Capt. & Distg. Agt.

Geo. Fletchers Affidavit
in relation to property and
provisions for which he rect.
to Capt. R. Stephenson in the 4th
Qr. of 1832. forwarded by Capt
J. Brown

United States of America
Territory of Arkansas }
County of Pulaski } Sct

Be it remembered that on this third day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight Hundred and thirty five personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the peace in and for the County of Pulaski, aforesaid, Geny Fletcher who being by me, first duly sworn, deposeth and saith - that he signed a Receipt at Fort Towson, dated December 20. 1832 - to Lieut J. R. Stephenson A.A.C.S. Cyt. 3rd Regt. - for sundry Articles of Property belonging to the service of 3rd Regt for the purpose of conveying and delivering to Capt J Brown U.S.A. at Little Rock - Said property was represented as being stored at the Issuing Depot, at Mountain Fork, Choctaw Nation - distance of Forty miles from Fort Towson, the place of signing the said Receipt - among which Articles receipted for, was One hundred and fifty pounds of Bacon - and fifty pounds of flour - that on arriving at the Depot at Mountain Fork, as aforesaid, and applying for the Bacon and Flour to the Issuing Agent in charge of said Depot, he, the said Agent, stated, that being out of provision, he had used the Bacon and Flour - and that he would account for the same to Lieut Stephenson - in consequence of which no Bacon nor Flour was received by the Deponent, at this, or any other Depot, as stated in his receipt to Lieut Stephenson. The deponent further says that as he was not furnished with any memoranda or Invoice of the said property, he is not sure of having received at Mountain Fork, all the other Articles, named in the Receipt to Lieut Stephenson - and that it is possible that some of said Articles may have been lost or otherwise destroyed in coming from thence to Little Rock.

Geo Fletcher

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 3. day of November 1835

[redacted]

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Ferry 102 Choctaw

William Armstrong

Choctaw Agency

Dec. 8th 185

Relates to claims f
Cattle by the Choctaw
Indians.

16 Jany

Rec'd 16 Jany.

Choctaw Agency, Dec 8th 1836

Gen'l Gen. Gibson
Commis't Genl of Sub.

Sir

The foregoing claim for cattle delivered Wm. Byrn, Agent for selling cattle under the late Choctaw Treaty, has been handed me by Benjamin James, a half breed Choctaw.

The cattle were received by Col Byrn and by them sold, previous to my appointment as Superintendent for the Removal of the Choctaws. The circumstances as related to me and which I have no doubt is true, are these: Col Byrn advertised the cattle, to sell at different places in the nation, and went on to make the first sale as advertised, at James' house, and started on to continue the sale at Eliamaw, the place designated for holding the next sale, when he was directed by the Department, to stop the sale. A reference to the newspaper, enclosed, and handed me by James, will show the days of sale.

List of cattle sold:

One lot assorted 45 head in number, for which money was to be paid

One lot of 68 head, for which money was to be paid went at $3.50 per head.

One lot 25 head for which money was to be paid went at $3.50 per head.

Lot No 1.	45	head at	$3.50	
" 2.	68	" at	"	
" 3	25	" at	"	
Total	138	head at	$3.50	$483.00

One lot twenty Cows & twenty calves, for which cattle were required after the arrival of James in the new country, agreeable to the treaty

At the same time & place, Purcell & McLaughlin delivered ten head to Col Byrd of a mixed lot, to have been replaced in the West.

Capt James is an intelligent and correct Indian and makes the above Statement. My impression is that Col Byrd sold the cattle and turned the proceeds over to Col Heard, the Agent, as directed, and perhaps among the cattle papers, a Statement of the above cattle sold may be found.

Col Joel Nail, a Choctaw, I am informed, has a claim for cattle, I did not get to see him on Red river, which with a claim for seven head belonging to Bobby Bell, I believe is all the claims for cattle the Choctaws have. I would be glad if those claims could be closed, the Indians say they are loosing the increase of their stock, I have stated to them that I knew the Commissioner would act decisively on their claims.

Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt

Wm. Armstrong
Choctaw Agent

Genl Mc Arbuckle
Fort Gibson
20th Dec. 1835.

Relating to an agreement with Lieut Raines for corn, and to the loss of the corn, & urging the propriety of paying for the same.

Rec'd 22d Jany. 836

call on Lieut. Rains on this subject, is it not almost certain that he showed him any Letter in relation to it? or that he, at least notified him of the purport of that Letter? — I have never, to the best of my recollection had any conversation with Mr. French on this subject, and was not in this country when his deposition was taken, otherwise he might have been required to answer to some points which have been omitted. Mr. French is now at the Trading House of the Firm on the upper Red River and therefore it will not be in my power to obtain any thing further from him in relation to his deposition at present.

In addition to the Documents heretofore forwarded and the copy of Mr. McClelland's Letter which accompanies this, you will receive herewith a copy of my Letter to Lieut. Rains under date of the 26th April 1834 — and his reply thereto under date of the 25th of May of the same year.

I will not particularly remark on the contents of Lieut. Rains' Letter referred to, as I believe you will understand it (considering the situation he was placed in) as well as I do: Yet I regard it proper to say that I had an understanding with him, before the agreement was made in April 1833, on which he obtained a quantity of Corn from me, and I will not doubt that I may have notified him that I would not sell any more of my corn at fifty cents for bushel, Yet my recollection of our last agreement is; that I was not to have less than fifty cents per bushelle, and the increase of price, when the Corn was called for. — Yet admit that Lt. Rains is correct! One Mill is all the difference between us on this point. With respect to his having sent the Public Teams to my Farm and being refused Corn, is altogether a mistake as nothing

of the kind ever happened.

It is worthy of remark that Mr. Mc Clelland was sent here to purchase a considerable quantity of corn, and that he did make the purchase, at a higher rate, than it is believed the Corn would have cost the Government, had Lieut. Rains complied with his contract by sending for mine;- which could have been obtained at an earlier period, admitting the Public boat had been used that was at this place: as the corn the Creeks had to spare, was some distance off the river; and would probably, have required, eighter three days, or more, to have brought it to the Boat.

The position in which my claim stands, as I understand the subject, from reference to the Facts contained in the documents heretofore and at present forwarded, is; That Lieut. Rains, did refuse to give up his agreement with me in April 1833, when he must have believed from the information received from Mr. French, that I was at least willing to dispense with the agreement, and to let the house of H. Coffee & Co. have the Corn: And that Lieut. Rains did violate, his agreement with me; by purchasing Corn of others; and when a compliance with that contract would have removed my Corn, before it was destroyed by high water; and when it was absolutely required to subsist the Choctaw Indians, as will be seen by the accompanying Letters.

I am apprized that the contract made by Lt. Rains with me, was not in accordance with the regulations on that subject. Yet had the corn been delivered it would no doubt have been paid for; and that it was not delivered, you will perceive was not my fault, or in consequence of it not being required to subsist the Indians.

I can assure you General that I am fully satisfied of your desire to do me, and every individual perfect justice, as relates to all matters wherein it is your duty to decide; and if the Rules of your office renders it proper that you should on a review, still refuse to pay my claim, or cause it to be paid, I will certainly be satisfied that you have been governed by a strict regard to the obligations of duty.

I am sir,
very respectfully
Yr. Obt. Servant.

Jn. Chisholm

L.

Rec'd 22 Jany / ans'd 27. Fort Gibson Decb. 20th 1835.

Brig.r Genl. George Gibson
Commissary Genl. of Sub.
Washington City.
Sir.

Your communication under date of the 14th. Oct. last was received a short time since and it is a duty I owe to myself; independant of pecuniary concerns to reply thereto and to correct the erroneous impressions you appear to entertain in several particulars connected with the verbal agreement I made with Lieut. Bains (when Choctaw Disbursing Agent) early in April 1833; respecting a quantity of Corn I had to spare, and which was swept away by a freshet in the Arkansas River about the 8th. of June of the same year.

I will not attempt a minute or regular reply to your letter refered to; but will at once state the matters in which you appear to have been erroneously imprest. First. I am totally at a loss to imagine how the claim I transmitted to your Office for a decision, and which is based on my agreement with Lieut. Bains could have any connection with a difficulty, a misunderstanding between that Officer and Maj. F. Armstrong, late Choctaw Agent; or their mutual complaints against each other? and in the second place; I cannot perceive, how you should for a moment believe that I would at any time institute a prosecution against Lieut. Bains for the loss I have suffered, in consequence of my compact with him?

I saw you refered to my letter of the 11th. of Jany. last and have recollected the fact, that I had obtained and forwarded to you the Certificate of that officer, in relation to our agreement; I must believe, you would not have regarded it necessary to have noticed any suggestion you may have received in relation to this subject — I may have said to Lt. Rains (and I believe I have several times) that I had no doubt I could recover of him the price of the Corn I had lost: yet I cannot believe that I in any instance failed to assure him, that I had determined to refer the matter to the Government and to abide by such decision as might be made in the case, or words to this effect. It is obvious that Lieut. Rains was placed in a delicate situation in relation to my claim, as he has probably not reported the circumstances; in connection with it, and therefore could not reasonably be expected to say much in its favour. — Thirdly it is intimated that the Lakes on which the Corn (I lost) was cribbed; is, liable to frequent inundation, by the floods in the Arkansas River; this is not the fact; as it has not until 1833, been covered with water since the settlement of the Country by our Citizens; which is now about twenty years. And has previous to the late freshet (as far as I am informed been regarded by every one as totally exempt from injury by overflow. Again it would appear you are under the impression that Mr. French of the house of Hollens Coffee & Co. who call'd on Lieut. Rains to ascertain if he would relinquish his agreement with me, was a stranger to the Lieut.? The house of P. Coffee & Co. was established at Fort Smith, when Lieut. Rains was ordered to that Post in April 1831, and continued there, until after Lieut. Rains had left that place, where he remained, (if I am correct) about eighteen months. It was

as Mr French's Family was there, it is presumed that he was but seldom absent, and therefore that Lt. Rains must have been personally well acquainted with him; and have known that he was a Merchant of good standing.

I regard it proper to remark that the application of the evidence, furnished in support of my claim; is, materially different, as I judge from its true meaning, and is at variance with the Facts, in at least two important points. In relation to the agreement between Lieut Rains & myself you state, "that Lt. Rains deemed himself priviledged in accordance "with his verbal agreement to purchase Corn elsewhere at a "lower rate than fifty Cents, and that he did so, but it does "not appear that he purchased Corn elsewhere at a lower rate, "Nor does it appear that you made application to Lieut. Rains "to release you from what you deemed to be an obligation".

By a reference to the statement of Mr. Willard, you will notice that Lieut. Rains agreed to take my corn, if he required more than he had then purchased, or had on hand, and this statement with your admission, shows that Lieut. Rains did purchase Corn both at a lower & higher price than fifty Cents per bushel, after his agreement with me and in direct disregard of that agreement: and if further evidence of the agreement is regarded necessary on this point, I believe it is in my power to furnish it. And again refering to the statement of Mr. Willard it will be seen that it was but little more than a month after my agreement with Lieut. Rains, that his agent Mr. John McClelland, was at this post and agreed to give Mr. Willard Seventy five cents per bushel, for some eight hundred, or a thousand bushels of Corn, - and this agreement was [redacted] when it was known that a Public Boat could be had

here to transport the Corn; provided Mr. M.c Clelland would address to me a note holding himself responsible for the safe return of the Boat, or to pay for it, if lost. Mr. M.c Clelland left this post for the Creek settlements, near the Bendigo's, with the object of purchasing the corn and as I understood from him, did not return here again, but addressed me a note (a copy of which is herewith enclosed) notifying me, that he had promised the Public Keel Boat to Mr. Dillard, with whom he had agreed for the delivery of the corn above referred to; he did not however, as required, hold himself accountable if the Boat was lost; and I at first apprised Mr. Dillard that he could not have the Boat, but on further reflection and as it was stated that the Choctaws were in great want of corn; I informed Mr. Dillard that he might have the Boat, if he would be accountable for its safe return; which he refused to do and so this matter ended.

It is true that I did not address a communication to Lieut. Bains, requesting him to release me from our agreement but I addressed a note to the house of H. Coffee & Co. in reply to their offer to purchase my corn and apprised them (to the best of my recollection) that I had sold my corn to Lieut. Bains, or that I believed I had done so, and therefore could not sell to them, unless Lieut. Bains was willing to relinquish our understanding in relation to it and in that event, they could have the corn. Mr. French one of the Firm a Gentleman of good standing, and as it would appear must have been well known to Lieut. Bains, did call on him, and requested him to give up his bargain with me, for the corn; which he refused to do: And as Mr. French took the trouble to

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Wm Armstrong Esq.

Choc: Ag: 10 Mar 1836.

Sir, his absence has prevented his replying to the letter relative to which, I am sorry that Mr Baker the Contractor is dead and the work remaining to be done will have to be contracted for anew. If the Indians are in immediate want of them will you please forward proposals for new Contracts. Horses to haul ora to Red River & will bring back the guns will dispose of the lead & powder

to 1st October 1836

7th April 1836

Near Red River Choctaw Agency.
March 14. 1826.

Genl. Geo. Gibson
Commy. Genl. Subs.

Sir.

I have been absent at Washita for a time for my family, which is the reason why your letters upon the subject of the Wheels & Looms have not been answered. Since I wrote Mr Baker. the Contractor has died and I consider the work yet remaining to be done will have to be Contracted for by some other person, I will shortly visit Red River and if the Spinning with the Wheels & Looms at the present Time I will immediately issue proposals for a new Contract. I will endeavour to have a Contractor that will complete the work — and in making the Articles of Agreement will be guarded.

I have some iron to hand over to Red River and will have brought back the Gun — the Lead I will dispose of and the powder — so as to save the transportation whatever I do in selling shall be with the restriction of saving to the government — and will advise you of the same —

I am glad that Benjamin James Tallo
account is ordered to be paid.

Respectfully
your obt Sert

Wm Armstrong
Act Supt Ind Affs.

109 Enq Choctaw

Wm Armstrong Esq.
Choctaw Agency
17 March 1836

Encloses a letter from the late Majr Armstrong to Capt. McCabe relative to repairing of Rifles & Beaver traps, with a Contract for the same between Capt McC. & Wm D. Shaw.

Says they have been repaired & that Mr Shaw is desirous of receiving his pay, &c.

12 April 1836

Recd 12 April Hon. R. Abel
Choctaw. Agency.
17. March. 1836

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comm.y Genl. Subs.

Sir

You will find enclosed, a Copy.
of a letter from my late brother Fl. Armstrong Act.
Supt of Ws.t Terr.y to Capt McCabe. directing him to
Contract. for the repairing of rifles. & Beaver. traps — also.
the duplicate Copy. of the Contract made by. Capt
McCabe. Sub Agent with Wm. Ward. Shaw. in Obedience
to the instructions given.

The. rifles and traps. have
been. repaired. and. Mr. Shaw. is desirous of receiving
his pay. the papers are submitted for. your. Consid
eration and. if payment is ordered. the same Can.
be done. by. Capt Stevenson. through. Capt Brown

Respectfully.
Your. Obt Servt.

Wm Armstrong
Act Supt — Ws.t Terr.y.

Rec.d 12 April (Copy)

Fort Gibson
26th Decr 1834

Capt R A M.c Cabe
Sub Agent for Creeks west

Sir

You will please make a Contract with some good Gun Smith to put in complete repair for issue to Creeks, turned over to you by the late Agent Genl Campbell, the articles, it seems, were overflowed in the June freshet of 1833; and have from that cause, become greatly damaged.

The Creeks will probably reach here from the East of the Mississippi, in a few weeks; it is therefore important that these rifles should should be put in order for issuing to the Emigrants on their arrival. The low stage stage of the river leaves but little hope of the arrival of the 1000 rifles shipped lately from Philadelphia.

It will be necessary to have repaired the Boards traps. Let your contract accompany the Estimate, with a report of the condition of the treaty articles.

Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
(Signed) F. W. Armstrong
A. S. (W. C.

True copy
attest Geo.W. Clarke
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Ill Enuiq. Choctaw

Wm Armstrong Esq
Choctaw Agency Ke
26th March 1836

Related to Wheels & Looms
contracted for with Mr. R. Baker
for Choctaws — says, since
Baker's death has thought
proper to open proposals for
new contracts for 280 Wheels &
312 Looms the balance of
that Mr. B's son has admin?
on his father's estate for the Wheels &
finished &c

26 April

Rec.d 26 April ans.d 27th

Choctaw Agency 26th March 1836.

Genl. Geo. Gibson.
Commissary Genl Subs.

Sir.

Since the death of Mr. Baker the Contractor for making Wheels & Looms for the Choctaws I have thought the only way to Complete the Contract would be to issue proposals for the remaining quantity — which is Seven hundred & Eighty Wheels and three hundred & twelve Looms — in the propos als. I have all the remaining Wheels & Looms furnished at Fort Towson which is a Central point for the Indians — Mr. Baker's son has administered on his Fathers estate — for the Wheels & Looms he has made and which have been rec.d and issued to the Indians, I wish settle with him at the Contract price and make a requisition on Capt. Brown for the Amount — I have informed Mr. Baker that no allowance beyond what had been originally Contracted for the Wheels & Looms would be made him, that his Father had failed in his Con tract and as he had moved a part of his Tools and had procured some of the Timber on Red River they failure — on the part of his Father to meet his Contract had seriously disappointed the Indians — and that nothing but the Contract would now be paid him

It is easier to furnish the Looms & Wheels on Arkansas than Red River — and it may be that the remainder may cost something more than the Original Contract — but the transporting of Baker to Red river and the Valuation made by Mess[rs] Gibson & Pickett will all be avoided —

I have rec[d] a Communication from the Chiefs of Apt Avis requesting the Wheels & Looms to be furnished them — and believing indeed knowing the embarrassed situation of Mr. Baker, state. I have thought the best way, way to advertise for a new Contract — I will direct a paper to you. Containing the advertisement printed at the Post;

Respectfully
your Obt. Servt —
Wm. Armstrong.
Ch[f] Clerk Agent —

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Wm. Armstrong Esqr.
Choctaw Agency
1 April 1836

Sir, Mr Baker's acct has been settled for Wheels & Looms for the Choctaws, also requisition on Capt Brown for payment of three Dy's pd.
I have a proposal for contract to complete the blowers of Wheels & looms. Speak of a deficiency in the mo between Maj. A. & Mr Barker, enclose a copy of Mr Baker's bid, also of letter of admon of J. S. Baker on his Estate.

Looms at	17	50	each
Wheels "	4	00	"

26 April.

Rec? 26 April 1836 Choctaw Agency

Apl. D? 1836.

Genl Geo Gibson

Com? Genl Sub.

Sir

I have settled the account of Mr Robt Baker for making wheels and looms for the Choctaws; you will find herewith the issues of those received, for which I have made a requisition on Capt Brown for payment. I advised you by last mail that I had issued proposals for a new contract to supply the number not completed by the original contractor. The original contract made with my brother Wm Armstrong and Baker for the wheels and looms is very deficient, it does not stipulate the price for wheels & Looms, I can only account for this omission on the part of my brother, from the fact that after Baker had given in his bid and the contract bidden, he resided in the Western District of Tennessee. and my brother, previous to leaving Nashville, signed the contract, and left it to be filled up, which was done by Maj. Eaton, in whose hand writing the original there is in. I will endeavour to be more explicit & full with mine. I have enclosed a copy of Bakers bid, a copy of the contract is already in your Office. The issues of wheels, looms

and Beds are complete for this District.

Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Wm Armstrong
Choctaw. Agent.

I also enclose a Copy of Letter of administration by J. S. Baker.
on the estate of Robert Baker — N. A.

(Copy)

United States of America
Territory of Arkansas
County of Washington

Whereas it appears that Robt Baker is dead having made no will or Testament and application being made to me by James S Baker to have Letters of administration to administer on the Estate of said Robt Baker deceased he having giving bond and security as by Law in such cases is required Whereupon it is considered that he have Letters accordingly. These are therefore to authorize and empower you the said James S Baker to enter and into and upon all and singular the goods and chattels rights and credits of the said Robt Baker deceased and the same into your possession take whereso ever to be found in this Territory and a true and perfect inventory thereof make and return into our enduring County Court on oath and all the just debts of the intestate to pay so far as said Estate will amount or extend and the residue deliver to those who have the right thereto by Law. Herein fail not, witness Bryan H Smithson Clerk of our County Court at Office in the 23d January. 1836 & of the American Independence the 60th year

B H Smithson Clerk
By his Deputy A H McKissick

true copy Test Clarke (Signed)

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Wm. Armstrong
Choctaw Agency
March 25th 1836

Encloses papers relative to the Claim of Pukeis and Ishtecapasha, two Indians for two Horses lost in M. S. Service

April 26th

Rec'd 26 April

Choctaw Agency
March 25th 1836

Genl Geo Gibson
Commis Genl Sub.

Sir

The within papers were entered by my late brother Wm Armstrong to be forwarded to you, the claimants have pressed me to lay it before you, the circumstances you will perceive under which they claim, are that Doct Fulton the Agent hired the hands of the Indians to send back from Memphis to bring up a party of Indians that were in the rear. You will readily perceive that their claim for their horses, is not that they were lost as many others were in the Emigration, but that they were actually employed by a regular Agent to return and bring up the sick; and that during the time they were thus absent, Doct Fulton started from Memphis with the Indians their ~~three, fourteen~~ Pickens and Ish-tic-ca-pa-cha with him leaving directions with Mr Spalding to forward on the rear Upon the arrival of the Indians at the Post of Arkansas, the horses two in number, belonging to those Indians were missing. You will find the claim substantiated by the Statement of Thos Hall who was at the time U.S. Interpreter, the horses were good, being what the Indians received for their lands in the old nation. I have heard of no similar claim

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with the Indians. it will be remembered that I was not con-
-cerned in the emigration at that time. The inclosed
copy of Doct Fulton's letter to Capt Brown was written
in consequence of my brother writing the Captain, to pro-
-cure the statement of Doct Fulton, I have therefore laid
before you, at the request of the Indians, the papers in relation
to the claim.

Respectfully
Your Obt Servt

Wm Armstrong
Choctaw Agent

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27 April 1886.
Returned to Land.
Emigration Offic.
If the oath be as
alleged the Claim
should be allowed.

By order
E. A. Ke.
C. C. W. L.

Emigration of Indians
Office Com.y Gen.l Subsistence
26th April 1836.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for your decision the Claim of two Choctaw Indians for two horses lost in the fall of 1831, while in the employment of Government —

Their loss and value appear to be substantiated. —

I have the honor to be
Very Respectfully
Yr. Obt. Servt
Geo Gibson C.S.

To
Hon.ble
Lewis Cass
Secretary of War

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Wm Armstrong Esq.
Choc: Agency West
12 May, 1836

Receipt Commr directing
him to pay over balance
of Choctaw Cattle funds
States that at the time
he left the Dept enclosed to
him in the above Commrs
shewing the balances in his
hands, he also left an
unsettled acct & drew him
to be settled & whatever
balance left in his hands
was to have been paid
over immediately. Will
turn over the Dept on an acct
for decision in his own case.

14 June

Rec'd 14 June

Choctaw Agency
12 May 1836

Genl Geo Gibson
Commr Genl Subs

Sir

I have rec'd your Communication directing me to pay over the Amt of Cattle Money in my hands to the first emigrating disbursing officer I may find — At the time I left the Account in Washington shewing the balance in my hands which you have forwarded to me, — I had an unsettled Account due me which I also left with Mr Costin — and expected my Account to be settled and whatever balance was left in my hands to pay over immediately — I have examined my papers for a Copy of my Account which I left in Washington — but it is lost or Mislaid — in my removing my family from Washington to this place — I have however paid by Lieut Phillips I think at the old Choctaw Agency up to 1st of Oct — his Accounts with hereunder shewn — and Came on with the party to Memphis, and Crossed the Mississippi and after Accompanying the Choctaws to Rock Row and seeing them under weigh returned to Washington in December — some time after I rec'd your order, stating the emigration had closed

at what particular Term I rec'd the order. I cannot recollect. I was engaged the Summer we were engraved in the fall in the Choctaw Country preparing the Indians to remove, and never was paid for any expences. This Memorandum I left with Mr Eastin who however shew the number of days I was engaged in travelling for which my expences should be paid. I have made this statement in order to enable you to arrive at the Term I should be paid for, and the expences. If Mr Eastin has the papers they will shew the exact Term. I am extremely anxious to settle the Account, and hope that when the Cattle Account is off Talken up Mr Eastin would do. Whatever Term you may fix upon for my pay for with the Interest thereon and for expences, I shall be satisfactory to your Order if however to pay over the Money and should I see Capt Brown, I will do do. do. and Account for your decision in my own case.

Respectfully
your obt. Servt
(Wm Armstrong.

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Wm Armstrong
Choctaw Agency
7 July 1836
Enclosing list of
Choctaw Emigrants
from Capt Stephenson
and St Rains

1 August

Recd 14th Choctaw Agency.
7 July 1834

Genl Geo. Gibson.
Commissary. Genl. Subs.

Sir:

I have the honor herewith to enclose two list of Choctaw emigrants one by Capt Vaneas on Red river — and the other by Lieut Ramey on Arkansas — it will be remembered that both these gentlemen were stationed at the Ferries — the Indians arrive at their new Country — at the locations above mentioned — and that as the Indians arrive their names are entered down — by reference to letters of advice from the Dept dated 23d April 1834 — the Ferries for passing emigrants are ordered — to 1st May 1834 when they cease these Claims only extend to the Ferries — The Rolls are also ordered for [redacted] Quarter ending

Respectfully
your Obt Servt.

Wm Armstrong
Choctaw Agent

Enrig.ⁿ 118 Choctaws

Wm. Armstrong
Choct. Agency
July 2.d 1836

Enclosing the bid of
C. Perkins for making
Loom & Wheels for the
Choctaws

Rec.d 2 aug.t endorsed 3.rd

Rec'd 2 Aug
ans 5 Aug

Choctaw Agency
2 July 1836

Genl. Geo. Gibson
Commissary Genl Subs

Sir

I have the honor to endose for your Consideration the bid of Constantine Perkins for making Sloops & Keels for the Choctaws – It was the only bid offered altho I had advertised for the last three months – Labour of every kind has greatly increased in price, within the last year here, – and altho the bid is Considerably higher than the previous one – it Can not now be had lower – it will be remembered that the former Contract was all to be delivered at this place – The transportation to Red River would of been as much on each Sloop as the original Cost – or very nearly so – I have agreed with Mr. Perkins to submit the bid to the Dept & ans. if accepted – he will proceed immediately to work. I have no doubt of his ability to Complete the Contract – which shall be well guarded if under taken. I would respectfully solicit the early attention of the Dept to this subject.

Respectfully
Your obt Servt.
Wm Armstrong Chctw Agt

(Copy.

Choctaw Agency.
30 June. 1836

Sir

Having seen your proposals in the Arkansas Gazette, for making wheels & looms for the Choctaws. I propose making the same — Looms at Twenty four dollars a piece, & Wheels at Four dollars each. Agreeable to your advertisement

Constant Freeman Perkins

780 Spinning-wheels--320 Looms.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received, at the Choctaw Agency, West, until the first of July next, addressed to WILLIAM ARMSTRONG Choctaw Agent, for making THREE HUNDRED AND TWELVE LOOMS, and SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY SPINNING-WHEELS, (generally called Big Wheels, for spinning Cotton) to be delivered at Fort Towson, one-half on the 1st of March, 1837; the remainder on the 1st of July, 1837. It is thought unnecessary, in this advertisement, to go into details of dimensions, &c. as the workmanship, timber, &c. must conform to the specimen loom and wheel now at the Choctaw Agency, where all persons wishing to contract, are invited to call and examine the specimen articles.

The specimen loom and wheel are not upon any new plan, but of the best plain and substantial qualities used in this country, with the exception that the loom has cast-iron rag wheels, wrought iron catchers, iron screws for cross timbers, and two shuttles; and the wheel, a turned cast steel spindle and arle. No expenses or charges will be paid by the United States.

The above number of wheels and looms are to supply the quantity not furnished by the late contractor, Mr. Baker, who furnished [illegible] wheels and 88 looms. There is now at the Agency, the irons necessary for the completion of the balance of the wheels and looms. Persons wishing to contract for the above work, can if they wish, be furnished with the irons, &c.

Bids for the Looms and Wheels will be received separate, or together, as may suit the bidders. The right to reject bids, on account of combinations, or if too high, is reserved. Bonds, with approved security for the complete fulfilment of the contract, will be required.

WM. ARMSTRONG,
Choctaw Agent.

Choctaw Agency, West, March 16, 1836. 17-12w

The Union, Nashville, and Public Advertiser, Louisville, will publish the above, weekly, until the 15th June, 1836.

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Wm Armstrong

Choctaw Agency, July 6th 1836

Relative to the claim
of Louis Lucas –

Aug. 2 do

Rec'd 2 Aug.
Ans. 5 Aug.

Choctaw agency
6 July 1836

Lieut. Geo. Gibson
Commissary Genl Subs.

Sir

When at this place in May 1835 during the leisure time of my elder brother J. W. Armstrong I gave him the enclosed statement roughly drawn of a claim of Louis Lucas. My brother also drew up a statement of facts intending them to submit it to the Department. I have concluded to forward the statements made by both of us with the Certificate of Mr. Ward (at whose house Lucas was Confined) for the decision of the Department.

Respectfully
Your obt servt
Wm Armstrong
Choctaw agent

Enq – 190 Choctaw

Wm Armstrong
Choctaw Agency
July 21st 1836.

Has shipped the
Rifles & part of the
Powder that were
in the Ware House
to Capt. Stephenson
Promises to send
a Statement of Amts
on Hand.

16 Augt 1836

Choctaw Agency 21
21 July 1836

Genl. Geo. Gibson
Commissary Genl Subs

ans: 26 aug.

Sir

I have just shipped the Rifles from the Mare house to Capt Mapherson at Fort Gibson with the greater portion of the powder - I hope in a few days to receive his receipts for the articles shipped and order them forward a statement of what is left on hand - So as to close the account of my late brother Lt Armstrongs - I could not get all the powder transported from Towson - I have sold some and will close the account of transporting the rifles &c from Towson - with Capt Brown - who I expect here in August to pay the Amount -

Respectfully
your obt Servt

Wm Armstrong
Chact Agent

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Wm. Armstrong
Choctaw Agency
Sept. 1st. 1836.

Enclosing a receipt of Capt. Stephenson for gun & powder, and his own for other public property &c &c.

27. Sept.

Rec'd 27 Sept
Ans'd 30 Sept

Choctaw Agency
1st Sept 1836

Genl Geo Gibson
Comsy Genl of Subs

Sir

I enclose herewith the receipt of Capt S R Stephenson at Fort Gibson for Gunpowder shipped him and also my own receipt for other public property at this place all of which the estate of the late Agent H W Armstrong is chargeable — there is yet some powder at Fort Towson and Wool Cotton Cards also some flints The powder I designed having hauled over and shipped to Fort Gibson as directed but was unable to procure transportation The Cards will be wanted there for issue when the Looms & Wheels are made — I also sold some powder & lead sufficient I presume to pay the transportation of the public powder hauled over from Towson when Capt Brown Comdg rept I will settle the account with him as I left the receipt Rolls as to the disbursing officers for this powder & lead the estate of the late Agent will be entitled to credit I will forward an account of sales and receipts for the public property at Towson as I shall be there soon at the Annuity payment

Respectfully your obt svt
Wm A Armstrong
Chief Clerk

Rec.d of Capt. J. R. Stephenson
to M. Armstrong, for Treaty Goods
turned over to him & belonging
for which F. M. Armstrong, a Ch.
is to be credited at the Factory

Rec.d 27 Sept. 1836

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Copy

Rec.d Fort Gibson July 14.th 1836 of William Armstrong Acting Superintendent of Indian Affairs for the South Western Territory, the following Public property. Viz:

27	Rifles	(Rusty wanting Repairs
21	Do	(" " "
3	Do	(Stocks Broke, Rusty wanting Repairs)
2	Do	(1 without a hammer Spring & 1 without a Cock. Screw, or upper jaw)
70	Do	(1 foresight & 1 hammer Spring deficient and 1 stock broke)
10	Do	(1 Hammer Spring deficient & 1 Stock Broke.
294	Do	(Some slightly and others more or less Rusty.)
11	Do	(Want cleaning badly.)
10	Do	(Very Rusty one stock Broke.)
8	Do	(Stocks Broke 2 Guards Broke)
1	Do	(without Lock, screws or side plate and stock broke.
13	Do	(Stocks Broken and Rusty.
21	Do	(Very Rusty.
31	Yagers	(Worn and in bad order (2 foresights deficient)
12	"	(" " " " " (2 foresights deficient, 1 side screw & main Spring broke)
11	"	(" " " " " (1 foresight main & hammer Spring deficient
1	"	(" " " " " (Hammer & main Spring. Trigger & sight defict
412	Bullet moulds	
446	Chargers	
446	Wipers	
28	Rifles	(Broken and damaged, unfit to be repaired.
10	Yagers	(" " " " " " "
38	Boxes	containing 152 Kegs Powder.

(Signed Jas R. Stephenson
Capt U.S. Army
Disbg Agt Ind.n Remt
"

I certify that I shipped the above described public property to Capt J. R. Stephenson - by order of the Commissary General of Subsistence and that the estate of the late Choctaw Agent J. W. Armstrong is entitled to a credit at the Treasury of the United States for the same.

1.st Sept.r 1836

Signed Wm Armstrong
C. A.
"

1st 14

Ensign Choctaw

Wm Armstrong
F. Gibson 7th Sept 36

Has rec'd letter desiring
a contract to be made
for Looms & Wheels -

Strong sensation has
been excited amongst the
Indians by the
late Emigrants &c -

Oct - 4.

Rec'd 4. Oct

Fort Gibson
7. Sept 1836.

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comm'y. Genl of Subs.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of yours of 5th Augst- directing Contracts to be made with Mr Stokes for Looney. Which agreeable to his bid. I shall return in a few days to the Choctaw agency and, while attending to that duty I am here to Meet the Creek emigrants twenty three hundred in number with whom the principal Chiefs Creek Match (or Mc Nicol & are associated Considerable feeling exists between the party just arrived and the old Settlers both parties. I have visited them in their own Camps and to Morrow we have a Council when I hope to reconcile them. //

Respectfully
Your Obt Servt

Wm Armstrong
Act Supt Western Dist

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Wm Armstrong
Choct: Agency, 23d Sept. 36

Mr Perkins has declined to contract for the Wheels & Looms due Choctaws.
Proposes to post pone making the contract &c

26 Oct.

Rec.d 26 Oct

Choctaw Agency
23.d Sept 1836.

Genl. Geo. Gibson. Comm.d
Genl. Dept.

Sir

I had fondly hoped that the Wheel & Loom Contract was finally settled after I had written a bond for Mr. Perkins to have executed he started for Washington County Arkansas for that purpose together with the intention of procuring laborers he if had just returned and states that he is unable to procure hands to work in consequence of the Volunteering now going on in Arkansas for troops to Meet the Call of the Governor. they together with the prevailing opinion of Indians dissatisfied with Contract induced Mr. Perkins to decline entering into bond at present I do not think that the Contract can be made a beneficial one circumstances render it almost impracticable at best it is a difficult Contract to fulfil — I wish the Chiefs at the Genl. Council which meets in October (1st Monday) and inform them of the disappointment and let them know that the Government are extremely Anxious to fulfil the obligations — I am satisfied that the Indians are certainly no loser by not having the Wheels & Looms and if there was under the circumstances any other

way of using. The value of the Wheely theory. it doubtly could be expended either in money or goods for their benefit but probably they change can not be done. under the treaty I have merely made the remarks. knowing that perhaps the Choctaws would agree to substitute money or something else for the Leone Wheels. which are so extremely difficult to furnish. If nothing in the shape of a change can be effected. I can satisfy the Choctaws by waiting for a more favorable time — and would if the Dept. think the plan of waiting for a time preferable be glad to be authorized to contract whenever a more propitious time shall come

Respectfully yours.
Chf Dept.

Wm Armstrong
Choctaw agent

Commissary Gen'l of Subs. LR 1836 B-T Choctaw

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Capt. Jacob Brown
Little Rock 8 Mch. 36

Relating the examination & settlement of J. Holman's claim for erecting a Bridge over Little Saline Bayou, & repairing 9½ rods of road by causeway[ing] &c. forwards acct. covering the value of the work & papers (Nos 1 & 2) in reference thereto.

29 March

Lieut. J. Gallaher — Little Rock A.T.
March 8. 1836.

Sir—

In obedience to your Instructions dated 25th Jany last in relation to the examination and settlement of James Holman's claim for erecting a Bridge over Little Saline Bayou, and repairing 91½ rods of Road, by causewaying, in Saline Bottom in the winters of 1831-2.— I have to state that I have examined said claim, and herewith forward an account covering the value of the work done by Holman — which is submitted for approval, prior to offering payment.—

From information received from various sources— some from examinations and Reports, and much from Agents and others that had seen the work shortly after it was completed— I am satisfied that I have awarded to Mr. Holman to the very extent of the value of the work he he has done. For the Causewaying I have the opinion of One Gentleman, Officially given, and that too from a personal examination of the work, that "he (Holman) is not entitled to one Cent for any work of that kind that he did"—(See accompanying Paper No. 1.)— For further confirmation of the unsubstantial and bad construction of the Causeway see Paper No. 2.—

The Memorandum Agreement made by Lieut Ryan

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to do this work, stipulates— "the Causeway to be at least twelve feet wide, and to be well covered over with earth." Now if the Contract had been complied with, surely Mr. Bell would not have found the Causeway dangerous— (as per his Report— see Paper No. 2.) "for a Horse to pass on it." Besides, the Bridge was not made over the stream, as contemplated by the Contract. That Bridge was to have been made over the main Saline— not over a small slough or branch of that Stream. See Paper No. 1.—

Mr. Holman in his Communication 6 Ord. Series, says that he agreed to build the Bridge at $1. per foot, while at the same time Morrison was getting $3. per foot for Bridges—. This is a subterfuge, and is well calculated, as no doubt it was intended, to deceive. Holman's Bridge is a small log Bridge, 35 feet long, covered with rails or very rough split timber, and, as above stated, over a small slough— worth about the same per foot as good Causeways. Whereas Morrison's Bridges were over large streams requiring Bridges from 200 to 300 feet long, and about 40 feet high— to be built of sawn timber and that too of the clearest kind— as well as requiring all the workmanship of Bridges of the largest class. There are other inferences in that (Holman's) communication equally sinister and equally wide from the facts in relation to this transaction.

It was apparent to me at the time the account was first presented (26 April 1832.) that there was unfairness on the part of Holman. Lieut. Ryan's Letter, much torn and mutilated and separated from the Contract, was presented to establish the claim; and it was declared at that time, that no Contract had ever been existing. Subsequently (23d Nov.) the Contract written by Lieut. Ryan.— without any signature,.

(the same

the same having been torn off! was presented. Mr Allen demanded the names of the parties to the contract, which however, were never presented. Some time after this the claim was presented by Col. Ashley, who, being furnished with Lieut. Ryan's communication (of Mr. H. Leavenworth) declined all further application in relation to the settlement of the claim.

In fixing the allowance for the Causeywaying, as stated in the affr. I have been governed by the price paid P. A. McWilliams (see Mr. 25. 2d year ending 1832) who made considerable repairs on the Road in Pine Creek Bottom, and at other places in the neighborhood of Kolmers repairs, of a similar character. Though more difficult generally as well as Kolmers, nevertheless I have deemed it well to fix the price at this rate which is, in my opinion, all that ought to be allowed.

Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.

J. D. Browne Capt U.S.A.
Disbursing Agt. Ind. Affrs.

Genl Geo. Gibson
Comy Genl of Subs
Washington D. C.

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No. 3.

Extract from

Wm McK. Tells Report.

in relation to the Repairs of

Roads &c.

28th March 1832

Extract of Official Report of Wm. M'K. Bell, Agent in the Removal of Indians, to Capt. J. Brown. Supt. Removal and Subsistence of Indians at Little Rock A. T. in relation to the repairs of Roads, between Washington, N. C. & the Choctaw lines.

Cantonment Towson.
March 28 1832.

Sir

"The Saline Bottom is about 2 miles wide, and is very bad and swampy. The part of the Road, to make it passable, ought to be causewayed the whole distance, and the road changed in a direction to the Bridge over the Saline. Timber suitable for causewaying is convenient. Distance from Mine Creek to Saline, 11 miles. The Saline Bottom has been causewayed, - or an attempt made to causeway it in places by Mr. Holmes. But the work is generally so badly done, that it is dangerous for an horse to pass over it."

(Signed) Wm. M'K. Bell.
Agt. in the Removal & Sub. of Indians

Note. - Mr. Bell was on the 28th January 1832. ordered to make an examination of all the Repairs that had been done to Roads, as well as the Bridges that had been constructed, under my directions, on the Route of Emigration from Washington N. Ca to the Choctaw line; and to make Report &c

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of the quantity as well as the manner in which the work was done.
At the time Mr Bell was ordered on the above duty, it was not known that Sir Hedworth had done any work on this Road. Mr Bell nevertheless reports the condition of the causeway-ing, which at that time had been of little avail.

J. B. Brown

Emig. Choctaws

Capt. J. Bunn

Little Rock, May, 1836

Acknowledges commun.
of 16th April covering Acct.
for $65.37½ in favor of Jno.
Q. Byrne - says has written
to Supt. Armstrong relative to
balance ($89.56) of Choctaw
Cattle Funds, & to claim of Col.
Byrne has been paid, &c.

Mentions that the Reminder
Emigt. now under way at Memphis
Tenn 200 miles distant on the
great number of Sick & the
necessity for having them on
a part of the route makes it
necessary to employ more teams
&c.

10 Inst

Rec'd 10 June — Answ'd 10 June

Little Rock
May 19th 1831

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication dated 18th ult. covering Account in favor of John W. Dyer for $515.95 Cents for services in superintending, Expending and selling Choctaw Cattle in 1831.

I have also kept Attorney in relation to the $1157.51 Cts balance of Choctaw Cattle Funds, in the hands - and whether the claim of Col Dyer has been paid - if it has not, there I shall make arrangements to pay the same without delay.

Since mine of the 7th inst. apprising you of the movements of the Seminole Emigrants, the rapid fall of the river has prevented the Steam Boat from making the trip as contemplated. The Emigrants were landed at St Louis Station from thence by the river about 200 Miles and distant by land from the Mouth of the North Fork, about 100 Miles. From St Louis Station their route is over a high country, and which I think can be travelled very expeditiously - there are some water courses which if high, may cause detention. Their route will be by the Choctaw Agency to the Legation, which they will cross at or near the Mouth of the North Fork.

The great number of sick and those unable to walk, as well as the necessity of having beef on a part of the route makes it necessary to employ a greater number of Teams than are allowed by

by Regulations. Lieut. Stead informs me that he will not be detained more than two days. Hence the Party no doubt on now or two days on the March, and if not detained by high Waters, will reach their new County on or about the 20th inst.

Respectfully,
I have the honor to be
Your Obt. Servt.

J. Brown Capt. U.S.A.
Mustering Officer

Genl. Jno. Gibson,
Comg. Genl. Depts.
Washington, D.C.

Genl Geo. Gibson Commissary
Genl of Subsistence
Washington City

Rec.d 28th March

Choctaw Nation
March 3rd 1833=

To. Gen Gibson C.G.S.

Dr Sir Yours of the 12th Feby is at hand. in answer to which I have to say, that I have given a Statement with regard to Rev. Jacob Cable which is inclosed also. Wesley McGlothlin as to the Claim or Claims of any other Indians who you name in Your letter are entirely unknown to me, except Lael Nail, which I will explain, on the 7th October 1832. was the day appointed by Col. Armstrong for the purpose of selling the Cattle at the Pushmataha on Catchatchilpa Creek, at which time & place I sold 15 Cows & 15 Calves, for $54.50. which was the Amount of their valuation, and turned 30 head over to Lieut. Dimmitt, a Copy of the receipt, for which the Cows & Calves sold of 54.50 dated 9th Oct 1832 — is herewith inclosed, Lieut, Rec.d Catchatchilpa Creek 9th October 1832 of John W Byrne agent for selling the value in Chactaw Cattle fifty four dollars fifty Cents for Cattle sold at this place

(signed) John P Lemonton
Lieut 1st Regt

I left the above place on the 16th Oct 1832 for

by the order of Col Armstrong for the Choctaw Agency, a distance of 115 miles where I was Compelled to be on the 15th oct 183-, I understood & have no doubt of the fact, that the Cattle Specified in the Certificate given by Alfr H Sommerville, Commissioned by Wm L Calquhoun was brought to the encampment on Catch at Leiph Creek on the 12th oct, after I left, and valued by them. Stated in their Certificate, As to the Certificate given by Lieut. Wm R Montgomery I know nothing. Charles Wilson had 20 head of Cattle appraised to $54.50 agreeably to Certificate given him by me a copy of which I sent west of the Mississippi to Col Armstrong & have had nothing of it since. The Cattle were put in a pen and broke out, and I have neither had or seen any Part of them since, except information which I received from a Man living in the neighborhood of the Cattle, That they were there in the Ranje. I know nothing more, which will be Beneficial to the Government or Myself. Only that I find the Money

dear Sir very much

Respectfully your
Most obd Servt.
John H Bynum Capt 4th

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The following Persons of the Choctaw Nation have stated to the Agent, J. W. Armstrong, that they turned over to the Agents East of Mississippi the following description of cattle, and which were to be replaced to them after their Emigration West &c.

Names of Choctaws	District	Cows & Calves	Cows	Bulls	Steers	Heifers	Yearlings	To whom delivered	Remarks
Adam Nail	Pitchcache	2	-	-	-	-	-	Capt Colquhoun & Col. Bunns	
Noak-cha-a-tubbe	"	2	*2	-	-	-	-		* Bunn
Na-ca-ah-he-ma	Red Water	1	-	-	-	-			
Benjamin James	Pushulatubbe	20	-	-	-	-	-		
Matthew McLaughlin	"	3	-	-	*3	-	1		* 3 years old
Andrew Kincaid	"	-	1	-	1	-	1		
	Total	28	3	-	2	-	2		

A Certified Copy

Jas R. Stephenson
Lt U. S. Army
Disbg Agt Choctaw Emt

(Signed) Jas R. Stephenson
Lt U. S. Army
(Disbg Agt Choctaw Emt

492 Enj Chester

Capt J. Brown

Little Rock June 1, 1836

Acknowledges letter of the 6th May, and is explanation of Vouchers No 1 and 43 in relation to Elijah Butler's claim for hire of Wagons and Teams, in answer.

20 June

Rec'd 20th June

Ans'd this day

Little Rock
June 1st. 1834.

Sir-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication dated 1st ultimo requiring explanations in relation to Voucher No. 1. Att. Transportation, 2d qrs Accounts, 1833- Payment made to Lloyd Potter for Wagon Hire in 1832;- and in reply have to state, that the claimant entered two Wagons and Teams of six Oxen each; that both Teams were at Rock Ro. and mustered into service by A.P. Fulton, Asst. Qr. on the 10th of November, and in consequence of the failure of the Choctaws to remove as was contemplated, and for which Provision had been made, one of those Teams was discharged at Rock Ro. by A. L. Langham - they are now keeping Voucher 45. 4th qrs Accounts 1832. - The other was retained in service, was duly assigned to the party conducted by Lieut. Montgomery, and supposed to have been discharged at McCann's Choctaw Nation - the particular place and date not positively known; as the bond and certificate were both lost as set forth in the affidavits accompanying the Accounts.

The settlement of the claim, was long suspended, not from any doubt in relation to its justness - for my situation at this place enabled me know that the Team was in service

but

but for the want of the necessary evidence to establish the same at the Treasury.

Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.
J. J. Browne Lieut. USN
Prize Agt. Ind. Coast.

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington, D. C.

Letter Recorded

Capt. I. Brown

Little Rock Ark.

July 1st 1836

Covering acct current with abstract and Vos. of disbmts in acct Rend & Sub. of Choctaws for 2nd Qr. 1836.

21 July 1836

Rec'd 21st July

Little Rock
July 1. 1836.—

Sir.—

I com herewith Account current with Abstract & Vouchers of Disbursements on account of the Rem.l & Subsistence of Choctaws during the Quarter ending on the 30th of June. 1836.

Respectfully
I have the honor &c
Your Obt Svt

J. Brown Capt. U.S.A.
Dis Agt Ind Rem.

Genl Geo Gibson
Com.y Genl of Sub.
Washington D. C.

5-12 Emig Steamers

Capt. J. Brown
L Rock, July 12th 1836.

Sends an acct of Thos
J. Turnstall Master
of Steamboat &c.

Aug. 2.

Rec'd 2 Aug
ans 4 Aug

Little Rock
July 13th 1836

Sir-

I send herewith account with
sundry Evidences in favor of Thomas J. Tunstall,
Master and Owner of Steamboat Wm Parsons
for Cash advanced for Freight & Charges on
Iron & Steel for the Chickasaws, sent from
Nashville in 1834. The payment was suspended
for want of evidence as to the advance made
by Montgomery, as stated in the Bill of Lading
accompanying the account. Capt. Tunstall
has made Affidavit of his having paid the
Freight and Charges, and of his having made
efforts to obtain the Bill of Lading &c.

The claim is submitted- desiring to be
informed what evidence will be required to pass
the same. I have no doubt but it is due
as stated.

I have the honor to be
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.

W Brown Capt. U.S.A.
Agt Ind Affrs.

Genl. Geo. Gibson
Com'y. Genl. of Subs.
Washington D.C.

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Capt. J. Brown
Little Rock Ark:
Aug. 29th. 1836.

Have rec.d the two
letters of 4th Aug.t
One relative to the
claim of J. J Tum-
stall and the other
to that of McKay

19 Sept.

Rec.d 19 Sept.

Little Rock
August 29.th 1836.—

Sir

I have received your communication of the 4.th inst— the accompanying claim of J. J. Tunstall, for Freight &c. done in 1834.— and the other accompanying Copy of a Letter to Lieut. J. Van Horn on the subject of receiving Dol. from Mackey, being Balance due and which the claims to deliver a Contract made with Lieut. Scantle in 1834.—

I may therefore deem it well to make some suggestions in relation to the delivery of the Dol. due from Mackey.—

Respectfully
I have the honor to be
Your Obt. Sv.
J. Brown Capt. U.S.A.
Brevet Mjr. and Paymr.

Genl. Geo. Gibson
Com.y Genl. of Sub.
Washington D. C.

Wash. 313 April 6 1836.
Recd
Choctaws

F. F. W. Claiborne

Request information relative to claim for compensation of J. W. Boyne for selling Choctaw Cattle &c

Respectfully referred to the Comy Genl of Subsistence

Off Ind Affrs
Apl 7. 1836

7th April

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Referred & answered 7th Sept.
Washington Sept 6th 1836

Sir,

Some months since, when conversed by
letter, I rec'd a letter from Col. J. W Bryan
of Columbus, Mississippi, relative
to a claim on the Govt., which I placed
in the hands of the Hon. M. Grevier,
who informed me that he handed
said it before you, (if I be not mistaken).

Col. Bryan was employed by
the War Department in 1830-1 to sell
the Cattle belonging to the Choctaws in
the State of Mississippi for it to under
other services, for which he has not
as compensation.

He has the honor to enquire
as what time you have any information
from him on this subject?

Very Resp'y
Y. h. O. S.
J. H. Chamberlain

E Herring Esq.

Envg Chastain 316

Hon.ble Jno. F. H. Claiborne

Sav. 8. April 1836

Say the arrangements adopted by 2. Aud.r will be inconvenient 3 April 36 be informed when & thought what medium Col Bynum may effect payment.

9 April 1836

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Rec'd Gospel Dept. of R., Mpis. St. 1856.

Sir,

I have rec'd your communication informing me that Capt. Armstrong had been directed to pay over to Col Bryan the amt of his claim.

If I am correctly informed, Capt. A. is stationed on the head waters of Red River & Col B. resides in the interior of Mississippi. The arrangement adopted by the D. Quartermaster, it appears to me, will be very inconvenient, & I beg leave to enquire when Col B. began to receive payment, and this what medicine?

I have the honor to be,
Very Respy
Your Obt Svt
John F. H. Claiborne

Gen. Gibson.

Living Charleston 331

Hon. J. F. H. Claiborne

Ho. Rep. 29 June '36

Relating to Colonel Bynes Claim asks if there is any other medium through which Col. B. can be paid by the Dept.- stating that he complains that Col. [illegible] has not p[illegible]

30 June

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H. of R. 29th June 1835
Rec'd 30th June

Sir,

I have received letters from Col. Jno. Byrne in complaining that Majr. Armstrong has not yet paid him according to the instructions of the Department. He states that he has written to him repeatedly, but rec'd no answer. Allow me to ask, if there is no other mediums thro' which the Department can order him paid? I am assured, that Col. Byrne is in distressed circumstances.

With great respect
Yr. Obt. Sevt.
Wm. Wilkins

Gen. Geo. Gibbs.

Miss Choctaws 332

The Hon:
Secretary of War
to the
Commy Genl of Sub:
Directing that immediate
measures for the removal
of the Choctaws be
entered into agreeably to
a provision in the Act
of Congress passed 2nd
July 1836.

Recd 12 July 1836
Ans. 13. July 1836.

Rec'd 12 July

War Department
July 12th 1836

Sir,

You will take immediate measures for the removal of the Choctaw Indians in the State of Mississippi, agreeably to a provision in an Act of Congress passed July 2d 1836, entitled "An Act making further Appropriations for carrying into effect certain Indian treaties." This act appropriates ~~thirty~~ thousand dollars for this object. And some officer of the Army will be selected, upon your nomination, for the management of the business. I do not consider it necessary that there should be any other Agent. He can be aided by such persons as may be necessary, but the direction of the business will be conferred upon him. The removal will be effected in the manner prescribed by the existing regulations, except so far as these are necessarily changed by these directions. He will proceed immediately to the execution of his duty, and remove the Indians as fast as they are willing and prepared to go. You will give him such

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instructions as may be necessary to carry this object into effect.

Very respectfully
Yo mo obt Serv,
Lelt Cap

Major Jno. A. Hook
Act. Comm. Pen. & Subsist.
U. S. A.

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Jan 8, 1836.

Indian Congregation
Office

Enrg. Choctaw 70 Repd.

Hon: David Dickson
" J. H. Claiborne & others
& the Gen'l Ho. Repd. 7 May '36
Requesting that an appropriation be asked for to remove the Choctaw Settlement of the ~~Chiefs~~ — Stating that they are in a state of much excitement having burnt several houses on the frontier &c.

Wardeyn
Aug. 9 June 1836

10 June

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Ref. to 10th June

H. of Reps 7th May 1836

The Hon. L. Cass

Sir.

A portion of the Choctaw Indians amounting to some three or four thousand still remain in the limits of the State of Alabama and Mississippi, a large proportion of whom are anxious to emigrate to the West, if the means were provided by Government.

Letters have been received by the Mississippi Delegation stating that the Choctaws in Mississippi are in a State of much Excitement and have already burned several houses on the frontier. There is some reason to fear, that they may catch the war Spirit now prevailing to Extensively among the tribes of the South, and under this impression we respectfully call your attention to the matter and hope you will ask an appropriation for the removal of such as are willing to emigrate. The object is to introduce this appropriation into the bill to carry into Execution the Choctaw Treaty, which will soon be before the House. We have the honor to be,

I concur in requesting this appropriation

R. J. Walker

I also concur in requesting the appropn. for Leon

Very Resp'y.

D. Mitchell Wm. Stanton.

David Dickson

J. F. H. Claiborne.

Jno. J. Mardis

Emig Choctaws 52.

W. B. Lewis

2nd Aud: Off.

23 Sept. 1836

Accompanying the Returns of Lt. G. D. Rains A.C.S. and stating that the adjustments of them cannot be made until explanation is made by Lt. Rains.

Respt. Geo. Gibson

Com. Gen. Pur. Washington

24th Sept.

Lt. Rains

2d Aud. Office

Rec'd 24 Oct.

Treasury Dept.
2d Auditors Office
25th Sept 1836

Sir

The Acct of Lieut G. J. Rains for disbursements in the Subsistence of the Choctaws west during the years 1832, 3 & 4 – have been examined in this Office & found impracticable to adjust in consequence of the great discrepancies existing in his subsistence returns – the amount of purchases & the amount of Issues, in no wise coinciding together with the general situation of his Acct precludes the possibility of arranging the same until Lt Rains shall have made some explanations – The Acct are therefore returned.

Very Respectfully
Sir
Your Obed't Sv't

Gen'l George Gibson
Comm'y Gen'l of Subsistence

L. P. Thruston

Engrossed & offered
15 Aug. 1836

Geo. Gibbs
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Ld Rains' Ofc

Recorded Auditors

Ofc. returned 23 Sept 36.
to Comptrs office

Emigration of Indians
Office Com. Gen. Subs.
August 15. 1836

William B. Lewis Esq.
Second Auditor

Sir,

I transmit herewith the accounts of Lieut. G. J. Rains for disbursements, in the subsistence of the Choctaws West, during the following periods viz: 1st 2d 3d 4th quarters of 1832 - 1st 2d 3d 4th quarters of 1833 and 1st 3d and 4th quarters of 1834 with provision Returns for the same periods.

The account is believed to be just. Lieut Rains was written to from this Office in regard to his pay as Disbursing agent, having charged less than he was entitled to charge under the Regulations - but from some cause, unknown to me, he appears to misunderstand the instructions that were given him in relation thereto, and the alterations in his accounts as required were not made. This however can readily be arranged in the settlement of his account.

By reference to the Correspondence of this Office, printed in compliance with a resolution of the Senate dated the 23d of December 1833 at pages 94 and 215 it will be seen how Lieut Rains was instructed in relation to his pay for personal services. Copies of the two letters on the pages abovementioned are herewith.

Respectfully
Your
Obedient Servant.
Geo Gibson

William B. Lewis Esq.
Second Auditor.

August 15. 1836

Sir,

I transmit herewith the accounts of Lieut G. J. Rains for disbursements in the Subsistence of the Choctaws during the following named ~~quarters~~ periods viz: 1 2 3 ~~4~~ qrs 1832 1 2 3 & 4 qrs 1833 & 1 3 & 4 qrs 1834. with ~~the~~ previous Returns for the same periods.

It is needless to state the many causes that have conduced to the retention of those accounts for such a length of time in this office. ~~Lieut Rains~~ ~~has the~~ Suffice it to say that the very great irregularity thereof, and an endeavor to obtain as far as practicable ~~to obtain~~ all the information from Lieut Rains necessary to their final settlement in the law offices — together with the great distance at which a correspondence was to be held, have ~~in a great measure~~ contributed to their delay. ~~In addition thereto, Major Armstrong had indirectly forwarded charges against Lieut Rains which rendered it necessary to open correspond Major A.~~

Papers have been added and explanations given by Lieut Rains, which place the account in a more favorable situation for settlement.

The account is believed to be just; indeed ~~that~~ Lieut Rains has is the loser ~~by the process~~ in consequence of its irregularity.

Lieut Rains was written to from this Office in regard to his pay as Disbursing Agent. having charges

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left that he was entitled to charge[illegible] under the Regulations. But from some cause or other he appeared to misunderstand the instructions given him in relation thereto. This however can very easily be arranged in the settlement of his account — By reference to the [illegible] correspondence of this office printed in compliance with a resolution of the Senate dated 23d. Dec. 1833 at pages 9 & 215 it will be seen how Lieut Rains was instructed to render his vouchers for his person services.

Wilkes' Ex. Rains' case

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Copy

The U. S. Indian Department —
To Josiah S. Drake Dr.

Date		Dlls	Cts	Remarks
1832 June 12th	To 22 ℔ of Powder at 50 cents per ℔	11.	00	To issue to Choc-
" "	" 24 ℔ of Lead at 14 cents per ℔	13	16	taw Warriors
		$24	16	

Agents Office. Doaksville June 30th 1832.

Received of D. McKellar Sub agent for the Choctaws West Twenty four Dollars & Sixteen Cents in full of the above Account. —

Duplicates

Signed Josiah S. Drake

The United States
To David McClellan Dr

Date		Dolls	Cts
2nd Qr 1832 Choctaw	For 4 Pals. of Jar furnished Re. S. Teams according to Voucher No 3. 2nd quarter 1832 of my accounts retained at Washington City	4	00

Received Choctaw Agency Sept of Lieut D S Rains Disburs-ing Agent for the United States in the removal & subsistance of Indians the sum of Four Dollars in full of the above account

December 7th
1833.

D. McClellan
Sub Agt

Signed Duplicate

Copy

The United States Indian Department
To David Pickens Dr

Date		D. M.	Cts	Remarks
1832 April 1st	To One Yoke of Oxen - - - -	55	00	To fill vacancy in public Teams for that Year Public Property

Received of D. M. Clellan Sub Agent Creek Fifty-five Dollars in full of the above Account—

Signed Duplicates } Signed } David Pickens

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The United States Ind. Dept.
To Joseph Fisher Dr.

Date		Dolls	Cts	Remarks
1832	For Hauling 2760 pounds of Choctaw			Rifles
	Stores from Fort Smith to Red River			axes
June	at $4. per hundred pounds. —	111	20	Ploughs
	Distance one hundred and fifty Miles			Hoes
				Blankets
		$111	20	&c &c

Received Western Choctaw Agency June 1832 of D. McKellar Sub Agent for the Choctaws West one Hundred and Eleven Dollars and Twenty Cents in full of the Above Account.—

Duplicate } Signed } Joe Fisher

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Copy

The United States Ind. Dept. –

To William Lafloe – – Dr

Date		Dollars	Cts	
June 1832	To Hauling 2400 pounds of Choctaw Stores from Fort Smith to Red River at $4. per hundred. Distance one hundred and fifty miles. –	96	00	Rifles Hoes axes Broughs Blankets &c &c –
		$ 96	00	

Received Western Choctaw Agency June 1832 of D. McKellar Sub Agent for the Choctaws West – Ninety Six – Dollars in full of the above account.

Duplicate Witness William Lafloe

Copy

The United States Ind. Dept.
To John S Loop Dr

Date		Dlls	Cts	Remarks
April	To making Axel-Tree & Sond. Board for Public Teams	2	50	For repairing Public Stock
June	To Axel-Tree & Tongs	3	00	gone
		$5	50	

Received of David the Delaw Sub Agent Five Dollars & fifty Cents in full of the Above account.—

Signed Duplicates John his + Loop mark

Witness
(Signed) G. Pickett

Copy

The United States Indian Department

To Charles Mapes Dr

Date		Dolls	Cts	Remarks
1832				
May 12	1½ & 1 inch Augurs 10 gr & 12½ cent	✓ 1	25	For use of Public Teams while
" "	2 Gimblets - - - - - 12½ do.	✓ -	25	transporting Public Goods from
" "	1 Log Chain 20 lb & 18¾ do	✓ 3	75	the Arkansas to Red River...
" 17	75 lb of Flour - - - 5 - a	✓ 3	75	For 14 Choctaw attending
" "	57 lb of Bacon 12½ a	✓ 7	12	Agency from Red River
				to draw Arms &c - -
" 21	2 Packing Boxes & $1 - - -	✓ 2	00	To pack powder in - -
" "	16 Kegs of single F 1 50 cent *	121	00	This purchase was made
" "	11 Kegs of double FF			by order of the Agent
" "	15 lb of - do - do	✓ 116	00	deing necessary for the
" "	290 lb. & 40 Cents			protection of the Warriors
				and families. - -
June 6	750 lb "bar lead - 14 - - - -	✓ 105	00	
" "	272½ lb of Best steel & 29 Cents	79	02	To fifth issue & for public Horses
" 29	4 Pair leading Lines - 25 - -	1	00	Use of Public Teams. -
		$ 420	14	

* Error in the above account - 1

Corrected amount $439.14

Western Choctaw Agency June 30th 1832

Rec'd of Capt. D McKellan sub Agent for the Choctaws [redacted] hundred and forty Dollars & fourteen Cents for the above account. -

Signed Duplicates } Signed } Charles Mapes

Copy

The United States Ind. Terr. Sept.
To H. Coffee & Co. Dr

Date		Dolls	Cts	Remarks
1832				
April 2	1 Inch Auger	.	50	Use of Public Smiths
" "	1 Chisel	.	50	do
" "	2 Yds Duck @ 25	.	00	do
" 3	4 Bells @ 75	3	00	do
" "	Rope	.	75	do
" "	2 Gal. Tar @ 1.00	2	00	do
" 7	4 Gun Locks @ 1.50	10	00	Ck. forging Public Rifles
" "	Cash pd. for Files	1	50	use of Blacksmith
" "	1 Qr Paper	.	25	Public use
	1 Side Leather	3	00	Bell collar for Public Beasts
		22	00	

Received Western Choctaw Agency June 30th, 1832 of David McClellan Sub Agent for the Choctaws Twenty Two Dollars in full of the Above Account.—

{ Signed } H. Coffee & Co

REPRODUCED AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

The United States Dr. Dept.

To Thomas Walden Dr

			Remarks
1832 July 17th	For services of my self Horse three days at $1- pr diem	3.00	For riding express from the Agency to the Block house 24 miles & Superintending the unloading ~~and loading~~ of wagons: engaged in transporting Govt. Stores to Red River (six) ploughs hoes. Rifles 46 46.
		$3.00	

Received Choctaw Agency West August 17th 1832
of D McClelland Sub Agent from the Choctaw West
three Dollars in full of the above account

Duplicate

Thomas Walden

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES

The United States Indian Department.

To Charles Masson Dr.

1832
Octr 16 To Cartage of Powder lead & flints.
19 Loads at 75 [illegible] $16.50
from Steel Boat to Store House
Error in Multiplication — 2.25
Correct Amount — $14.25

Fort Smith Octr 16th 1832

Recd of Capt Pitchlynn
fourteen Dollars and fifty cents being in full
for the above account

Charles Masson

Examined & Stated by Wm. Armstrong Lt. Dragoons

The United States Ind. Dept.

To John Coleman Dr.

Date		Amount	Remarks
1832	For one and a half days hauling at $4. per diem	6 00	For hauling Ammunition from Fort Smith to the Choctaw Agency for Choctaw Indians
		$6.00	

Received Western Choctaw November 12th 1832 of D McClellan U.S. Sub Agent for Choctaws West Miss Six Dollars in full of the above account—

Duplicate

Jno. Coleman

(Copy)

Lt. G. T. Rains's
Abst. of Disbursements
4th Qr. 1833.
Agency Expenses
Choctaws

Rec'd March 22. 1834

Caleres.
H.B

Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies in ca

Rains Disbursing Agent of the United States for the Rems

ending the thirty first day of December 1833, by order of the C

Dates	No voucher	To whom paid	For What paid
Oct. 31st 1833	1	John Dillard	203 bus. Corn at 40 ℄. Forage
" " "	2	E. C. McClellan	69¼ " " " $2.
Dec. 1st "	3	Phillip Pennywit	Transportation U. S. powder
			18100 lbs gross, at 50℄ per hundred
" 4 "	4	Willis Carnant	Transporting acres to Red River 622 lbs 4
" 14 "	5	R. S. Gibson	Ropes for Ox-ties
" 26	6	Wm Ish	Services as Teamster from 1st July to 14 Au
" " "	7	James Gillet	" " " " "
" 31 "	8	Picket & Gregg	Men employed in preserving U.S. proper
Oct. " "	9	" "	200 lbs Iron for repairing U.S. Wagons
Nov. " "	10	" "	Tar, Tallow for " "
" " "	11	" "	Sugar & Coffee for Teamsters
" " "	12	Wm. Winlock	Services as Teamster for Dec. 1833
" " "	13	Anthony Burges	" " " " " "
" 5 "	14	Clark & Tilsworth	383 bus. Corn for Teams @ 65℄
Oct. 31 "	15	Wm Winlock	Services as Teamster from 1st July to 2 Au
Dec. 7 "	16	David McClellan	For debt incurred
" 31 "	17	E. C. McClellan	Fresh provision

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{ Signed Triplicates }

agencies in carrying into effect the Choctaw Treaty by Lieut G. J. Rains for the Removal and Subsistence of Indians in the quarter order of the Commissary Genl of Subs. dated Jany 31st 1833.

at prices	Amount		Remarks
30 C. Forage	81	20	Accounted for in Return of 2d Qr 1833.
2. — —	138	30	See Abstract of Forage
U. S. powder	90	50	From Fort Smith to Agency ware to be carried to Red River
30 C per hundred lbs			
Red River 422 lbs at 4 per Ct	16	88	
"	1		
1st July to 15 Augt	29	03	Employed in driving to Red River
" "	29	03	" " "
moving U.S. property	15	00	at the Agency one house on Ark. River after the great rise
U.S. Wagons	20	00	Used in hauling Treaty articles to Red River
" "	1	02½	
teamsters	2	00	
Octr 1833	20	00	
" "	20	00	
65 C	248	95	Forage accounted for in Returns of 2d & 3 qrs 1833.
from 1st July to 20 Augt	32	90½	
cts	780	25	
ion	3	07	For teamsters
	$1528	85½	

I certify on honor that the above Abstract is just & true

G. J. Rains Lt. U. S. A

& Disbursing Agent

Ind. Rem. & Subs.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES

The United States

To Jno. Dillard Dr

Date.		Dolls.	Cts.
April 14th 1833.	To 203 Bushels grown at 40 cts per Bushel. Forage for U. S. Teams Ord. Dept.	81	20

Choctaw Agency October 31st 1833. of Lieut G J Rains Disbursing Agent &c. the United States in the removal & Subsistence of Indians Eighty One Dollars and twenty cents in full of the above account

Signed Duplicate

John Dillard

THE UNITED STATES, TO Elijah McClellan **DR.**

Dolls			
October 31st 1833	For Sixty nine & 1/2 Bushels Corn at 2. per bushel for the Ind. Department.	138	00

Received Choctaw Nation Oct. 31st 1833 of Lieut G. J. Rains Sub Agt

Disbursing — Agent for the Removal and Subsistence of — Indians,

One hundred and thirty eight Dollars, and — Cents, in full for above account.

E C McClellan

The United States

To Philip Pennyweight Dr

Date		Dollars	Cents
Dec. 1st 1833 Cho. Agency	For transportation of 100 Boxes of Gun Powder property of the United States from Fort Smith to the Ware house near the Choctaw Agency 18100 lbs at 50 cts per hundred pounds	90	50

Received Choctaw Agency December 1st 1833 of Lieut G J Rains Disbursing Agent for the United States in the removal and subsistence of Indians Ninety Dollars and fifty cents in full of the above account

Signed Duplicate

Philip Pennyweight

The United States
To Willis Carmant Dr.

Date		Dollars	Cts
Dec. 4th 1833 Choctaw Nation	To transporting four Boxes U. S. Property containing Axes &c for Choctaw Indians — 422 lbs at 4 per lb? To Red river from Choctaw Agency	16	88
	I certify that the above account is correct — F W Armstrong C A		
		16	88

Received Choctaw Agency Dec. 4th 1833 of Lieut. S. G. Rains Disbursing Agent for the United States in the removal & Subsistence of Indians Sixteen Dollars and Eighty eight cents in full of the above account. Signed Duplicate

Willis Carmant

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The United States

To William Gish Dr

Date		D.	Cts
14th Aug. st 1833 Cho. Agency	For services as U.S. Teamster Jud. Deptt. at $20. per month from 1st day of July to 14th day of August each inclusive 1833.	29	03

Received Choctaw Agency December 26th 1833 of Lieut [redacted] U.S. Disbursing Agent for the United States in the removal & subsistence of Indians - Twenty nine Dollars & three cents in full of the above account

Wm Gish

The United States

1833		To R. S. Gibson		Dr.
Oct. 19th	To	2 large Ropes	@ 37½	0.75
"		1 Small "		25
				1.00

Received Choctaw Agency December 14th 1833 of Lieut. L. I. Kains dis agt. Ind. Rem. & Sub. one dollar in full of the above account.

(Duplicate)

R. S. Gibson

The United States
To James Gillet Dr.

Date		Dolls	cts
14th August 1833 Ch. Agency	For Services as U. S. Teamster Ind Dept at $20. per Month from 1st day of July to 14th day of August 1833 each inclusive	29	03

Received Choctaw Agency December 26th 1833 of Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent for the United States in the Removal & Subsistence of Indians Twenty nine Dollars & three cents in full of the above account.

Jas. Gillet

Signed Duplicate

THE UNITED STATES TO Pickett & Gregg DR.

Date			
October 31st 1833 Choctaw Nation	For 200 lbs Grain furnished the public Teams at this place for repairing & fixing U.S. Wagons employed in hauling to Red river at 10 ℔ per ℔	℔ 20	cts 00

Received Choctaw Nation October 31st 1833 of Lieut G. J. Rains U.S. Disbursing Agent for Removal and Subsistence of Indians Twenty — Dollars, and — Cents, in full of above account.

Pickett & Gregg

Signed Duplicate

THE UNITED STATES, TO Mitchell & Gregg DR.

Date			
Dec. 31 1833 Ch. Nation	For the labour of ten men for two days in clearing, oiling, repairing and otherwise fixing U S Mails, (under water in the late rise of the arkansas river) & taken care of other [illegible] at 75 cts per diem	$ 15	00
	I Certify that the foregoing account is correct C a		

Received Choctaw Nation 31st Dec. 31st 1833 of Lieut. G. J. Rains
A. A. A. & Disbursing Agent for the Removal and Subsistence of _____ Indians,
Fifteen Dollars, and _____ Cents, in full for above account.
Duplicates Mitchell & Gregg

REPRODUCED AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

THE UNITED STATES TO P. M. & Trader **DR.**

Date				$	cts
December	Paid	for Gal. Tar for R.S. Wagons	$1.	0.	50
4th 1837	"	4 lbs. Tallow " " "	10¢	0.	40
Choctaw Nation	"	141 Copies for a Census Roll	12½¢	0.	12½
				$1	02½

Received Choctaw Nation December 31st 1837 of Lieut G. T. Rains
U. S. A & Disbursing Agent for Removal and Subsistence of ——— Indians
One ——— Dollars, and two 50/100 Cents, in full of above account
Signed Duplicate
P. M. & Trader

THE UNITED STATES TO Pickett & Gregg DR.

Date			
Dec. 14			
1833			
Choctaw Nation	To 3 Hds Sugar 12½ ¢	$	cts
	" 4 " Coffee 25 ¢	1	00
		1	00
		$2	00

Received Choctaw Nation December 31st 1833 of Lieut A. J. Bowen
Dis. Y. A. & Disbursing Agent for Removal and Subsistence of ____ Indians
Two ____ Dollars, and ____ Cents, in full of above account.
Signed Duplicate
Pickett & Gregg

REPRODUCED AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

THE UNITED STATES, TO William Armstrong DR.

Date			
Dec 31st 1833	For services as U. S. Teamster Yard.		
Choctaw Nation	Dept from 1st December — to 31st of December inclusive 1833 at $20.00 per month	$20	00

Received Choctaw Nations December 31st 1833 of Lieut G. J. Rains U. S. A. & Disbursing Agent for Removal and Subsistence of _____ Indians.

Twenty — Dollars, and _____ Cents, in full of above account.

Test John Gaff

Signed Duplicate William X Armstrong

THE UNITED STATES, TO Anthony Burgess DR.

Date	For services as N. S. Teamster 2nd		
31st December	Dept from 1st December to		
Cho. Nation	31st of December — 1833 —		
	at $ 20.00 per month	$ 20	00

Received Choctaw Nation December 31 1833 of Lieut. G. I. Rains
U. S. A. & Disbursing Agent for Removal and Subsistence of Indians
Twenty — Dollars, and Cents, in full of above account.
Test
Robt. L. Reid

Triplicate & Duplicate

Anthony X Burgess

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The United States

To A. Bark & Silsworth Dr

Date		Dolls	Cts
Dec.r 5th 1833 Choctaw Agency C. N.	To 848 Bushels of Corn, forage for United States Teams at 65 Cents per bushel - - -

THE UNITED STATES, TO William Winlock — **DR.**

Date			
20th August 1833 Choctaw Nation	For services as Ch. & Transporter 2nd Dept from 1st July to 20 August inclusive at $20.00 per month	22	90/100

Received Choctaw Nation October 31st 1833 of Lieut G. J. Rains

Ch. & A. A. Disbursing Agent for the Removal and Subsistence of ——— Indians,

Thirty Two — Dollars, and Ninety 25/100 Cents, in full for above account.

Witness Duplicates

William X Winlock

[redacted]

I certify on honor that the within account is correct and just and that I have received no compensation for the services rendered therein except the Mileage allowed by law.

[redacted]

"Pouch" P. 16

780.25

AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

The United States

To David McClellan Dr

Date		Dollars	Cts
	For carrying into effect the Choctaw Treaty		
Dec. 7th 1833.	For expenses incurred with Mr. Laflore, the Packer No 7. 2nd quarter 1832	96	00
" " "	" Josiah Dodd " " No. 2 " " "	24	16
" " "	" " " " " No 3 " " "	4	00
" " "	" David Rickard " " No 5 " " "	55	00
" " "	" Joseph Fisher " " No 6 " " "	[illegible]	
" " "	" John J. Loop " " No 8 " " "	[illegible]	
" " "	" Charles Mapes " " No 20 " " "	439	14
" " "	" H Coffee & Co " " No 22 " " "	22	00
" " "	" Thos. Walden " " No 6. 3rd quarter 1832	3	00
" " "	" Charles Mapes " " No 2 4th quarter 1832	4	00
" " "	" Jno. Coleman " " No 3 " " "	6	00

For further information concerning this Bill David McClellan's Cho. Sub. Agent accounts of 2nd quarter 1832, retained in the Ind. Dept at Washington City, are referred to.

[illegible] Vouchers herewith forwarded.

$780 25

Received Choctaw Nation west December 7th 1833 of Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent for the United States in the removal & Subsistence of Indians Seven hundred and Eighty Dollars and twenty five cents in full of the above account

Exd signed Duplicates

D. McClellan
Sub Agt Cho Nn

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THE UNITED STATES, TO Thos E. E. McClellan DR.

Date.				
	For 66 lbs fresh Beef for M. S. Teamsters		$	cts
Oct 31st 1833	— — at 8 cts per lb —		1	98
	For 37 lbs fresh Beef for M. S. Teamsters			
Nov. 20th	— — — — — at 8 cts per lb —		1	11
Choctaw Nation				
			$ 3	09

Received Choctaw Nation December 31st 1833 of Lieut T. J. Haines

M. S. A. & Disbursing Agent for the Removal and Subsistence of ——— Indians,

Three Dollars, and Nine Cents, in full for above account.

Signed Duplicate

E C McClellan

A list of Articles Expended and worn at Fts. in the Indian Department Choctaw Nation Arkansas District in the Transplation of Treaty Articles to Red river

			$	cents
4	Four Axes lost by Teamsters accidentally, Valued at	$2.50 each	10	00
1	One Bucket Broken accidentally, Valued at		1	00
2	Two Coffee mills worn out in Service, Valued at	$.50 each	1	50
1	One Skillet & Lid	" " $.25	1	25
5	Five Axes Dies in Service, Valued at	$26.50 each	132	50
			$146	25

I Certify that the above list is correct

Signed Duplicates

J. J. Rains Ch. D. A.
Ft S Dis. Agent.
Ind. Terr & Ark.

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Lt. G. I. Rains
Abstract of Disbursements
for January 1834
Ind. Dept
Agency Accounts
Choctaws

1376.

Rec.d 20th March

disbursed in Jan.y 1834

Ent.d W.B.

Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies in ca
January 1834 by Lieut G. J. Rains Disbursing Agent for the
by accordance with an order

Dates	To Whom Paid	For What Paid	Dollars
1834			
January 6th	Wm E. McClellan	For services of Wagon & Team	6
" 13.	A. Clark	" " Wagons & Teams	4 5
" 13.	Beverly R. Baker	" " Wagon & Team	1 2 2
			$ 376

I Certify that the above Abstr

Dated February 1st 1834

ntingencies in carrying into effect the Choctaw treaty for the Month of
) Agent for the United States in the Removal & Subsistence of Indians
ce with an order from the Commissary Gen.l dated 31st January 1833

e	Dollars	Cents	Remarks.
	8	50	For hauling corn for Teams U.S. 2nd Dept. V. Service & Teamster
ams	45	00	. transporting certain Articles of U.S. Property as Rifles &c from Rock Roe
am	122	50	. . . . .
	$376	00	

the above Abstract is just and true according to the Vouchers in my Possession
Signed Triplicates
G. J. Rains Lt. U. S. A.
& Dis. Agent
Ind. Serv & Choctaws

REPRODUCED AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Copy. Lt. Rains

Abstract of Disbursements
for January 1834.

Ind. Dept.

Agency Accounts

Choctaws.

Recd. 20. March.

Monthly Abstract of Disbursements for Contingencies in carrying into effect the Choctaw Treaty, for the month of January 1834, by Lieut. G. J. Raines Disbursing Agent for the United States in the Removal and Subsistence of Indians, by accordance with an order from the Commissary Gen.l dated 31. January 1833.

Dates	To whom paid	For what paid	Dolls.	cts.	Remarks.
1834 Jan. 6	Mrs. C. C. Mc Clellan	For Services of Wagon & Team	8	50	for hauling Corn for Teams U. S. Ind. Dept. & Services of Teamster
" 13	A. Clark	" " Wagon & Team	245	.	" transporting certain articles of U. S. property as Rifles. Gunpowder & Red Lead
" 13	Beverly R. Baker	" " Wagon & Team	122	50	" " " " " " " " "
			Dolls. 376		

I certify that the above Abstract is just and true, according to the Vouchers in my possession.

Dated Feb. 1. 1834.

Sign.d triplicate. G. J. Raine, Lt. U. S. Army & Dis. Agt. Ind. Rem.s & Subs.

Ennig Chouteau

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J. M. Millard
Washington 12th Sept. 36

Enclosing an acct of the late Maj Armstrong and explaining the nature of the claim

12 Sept

Rec'd 12th Sept.
Ans 14th Sept.

Washington City
Sept. 12th 1836

Gen'l Geo. Gibson:
Com. Gen. Subs.

Sir. I have the honor to enclose to you the written account of the late J. W. Armstrong for $235.63, for which I claim an allowance in your Department in the settlement of his accounts.

You will be pleased to observe that the voucher No. 1. is for making a Sample loom &c in 1833 under instructions from Your Department.

Voucher No. 2. is for freight &c paid on the Sample loom & wheel from Nashville to the mouth of White River.

Voucher No. 3. is for advertising the Wheels & Looms Contracts in five different papers - and the Amount made out by Allen N. Hale for the whole & paid to him by the late Maj Armstrong, previous to his death - as appears by the said voucher. Mr. Hale informed me that he paid those various Editors, agreeably to Maj. A's request, but had not their receipts, nor could he get them. Believing that Mr. Hale is correct in his Statement, I have to request, in as much as Mr. A's receipt is for the whole Amount, that this voucher be allowed.

Voucher No. 4. & 5. You will herewith receive
Certificate and Abstract for Pension in the case of
said Armstrong.

I have the honor to be

Your Obt. Servant

J. M. Millard

Emigration of Indians
Office Com. Gen. Subs.
June 21. 1836

Hon Lewis Cass
Secretary of War.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit herewith an account, of J. M. Millard late Assistant Agent in the Choctaw Removal, for actual expenses of transportation and subsistence while on that duty. The instructions to Mr. Millard make provision for his "expenses of transportation and subsistence only whilst actually travelling in furtherance of the duties upon which Captain Brown will place you (him)," the amount claimed by him therefor, being $119.18¾ is deemed reasonable and just.

In addition he claims for transportation, from Fort Towson to Memphis, on Indian service, 400 miles at 10 cents per Mile — $40.00 — in pursuance of an order of William Armstrong Superintendent, West. of the Removal of Indians. This account has hitherto been refused from misapprehension of Mr. Millards instructions, but it is now recommended for your consideration and approval.

Respectfully
Your
Obedient Servant
Geo Gibson C.S.

No 217.

June 25. 1836.

Returned to the Indian Emigration office without decision

and the account this day sent to the second Auditor for settlement See letter to the Auditor of this day in relation hereto

June 25. 1836. RTW.

ok

~~Choctaws~~ Rec'd

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Sept 5th 1836

Indian Department Office

Jno. S. Nicholson Esq

Choctaw Agency Miss.

August 12th 1836

Proposes to take contracts

for the Removal of the

Choctaw Indians and

Contains a letter recom-

mendatory from G. W.

Grayson

J. Lyon

Rec.d Sept.r 5th
Ans.d the 6th

Choctaw Agency Sept.r 19.th 1836

Sir

I fear that no appropriation has been made for the Removal of the Choctaw Indians west of the Mississippi River, & should the Contract not have been taken; please Communicate to me the Regulations of the Government & on the Subject. & I have no doubt but from my Experience of Indian Character & Intercourse & acquaintance with the Country generally that I shall be able to take the Contract on such terms as will be satisfactory to the Department

Gov.r Abbeby & Co allow me to refer you to my Friends E B. Stevenson Esq.r & Hon.d Jno.d Green Esq.r Register & Rec.r Land Office at Vincennes Ind.a Gen.l Greenwood Salter & Simmons Clerk &c

" " Ransey Jones & Ch.f Clerk.t

Hon.d C.A Harris
Secretary of War.
Washington City

Jno.d Nicholson

over

Chocchuma aug. 10

Dear Sir: I have had the pleasure
of an acquaintance with Mr Nicholson
since last December, and from
that acquaintance I can safely
recommend him to the Dept
as a proper person to carry
into effect the object of the
Government for which the
$50000 was appropriated
viz- The removal of the Choc-
-taws west of the Mississippi.
Mr. Nicholson is the Postmaster
at this place, and has every
way a fair and respectable
standing.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
[illegible]

ED AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Ex 187 Emig Choctaw

Hon:
A. H Sevier
Washn City 19th Jany/36

Relative to the Claim of
Captain James Holmes
& incloses his Accot. and
papers

Logan Hardy

19 January/36

Rec? 19 Jany

Washington Ark. Jany 9th 1836

Dear Sir.

I enclose you the account and
history of one of my constituents. Capt Lawrence
Holman — He is a worthy man, recently a
member of our legislature and now a member
of the convention to make a constitution for
Arkansas. altho an uneducated man, he
is strong minded, and every way efficient.
There is no doubt of his having done the
work for which he charges, and that he is
on good terms and in good order and
that the charges but a moderate compensation
for it — You will be aware that Capt Brown
at Little Rock stands to forfeiting it lately on

on technical grounds. All the one of the best officers in the government, was on a vacancy that on account of his special pleading with them informal endeavour, I have had [illegible] to select the [illegible] of Genl Gibson in supporting claims arising under the annexation system. But [illegible] case is one of that sort, and the case of Boyd is another, which you cite neither.

As this claim of Capt Holmes is for a simple account, that you ask has not been upon Genl Gibson, and yet I am to allow and pay it. Yours truly

R. W. Laurier

Emig Chocktaw 188

J. H. Sevier

Washington Co

23 Jan 1826

Colonel Commanding

23 Jany

P Wash — Washington City Jan 23rd 1836.

Dear Major

I rec'd to day a message from Capt David McLellan, the enclosed on his behalf. We have been waiting for a settlement of his account. He finds he has much work and therefore could not come to Washington to make out his allowance and state a way that he may be able to get what is due him in this block erected at Arkansas — He is poor and may much his money here

R. M. Lewis

Capt. James R. Stephenson
Ft Gibson, 8 March 1836

Acknowledges letter of 18th Jany. — says no Reports referred to Reports, of which the originals were forwarded on 18th July 1834, & finds that 239 Choctaws emigrated on their own responsibility between the 1st & 24 May 1834 — : forwarded Estimates for Conductation to Capt Brown 18 Jany 34 — there named "Oka-she-ho" he finds not found on his Rolls — Requires Roll &c from his Register of the Heads of families &c.

6 April

Rec.d 6 April

Fort Gibson
8th March 1836

Sir

Your Communication of the 27th January with its enclosures were duly received.

I find by referring to the Duplicate Reports now in my possession, the original of which was forwarded to you under date of the 18th July 1834, that there had arrived between the 24th and 1st May 1834, and on their own resources the No. of 259 Choctaw Emigrants. An Estimate for the Commutation for these Emigrants, I forwarded under date of the 18th July 1834, to Capt Brown.

The name of Osha-sho-ho-pia is not to be found on my Rolls- I enclose a Muster Roll copied from my Register shewing the heads of the Families comprising this Number. Three others joined shortly after this Estimate was made, by the way of Fort Smith, and were not included in the Estimate, the head of the family is Polly and marked thus ⊗ on the enclosed Roll.

After the 1st of May 1834 I continued to register all new Emigrants who would report themselves either to me or any of my Assistants, this Register I still have, but the name of Osha-sho-ho-pia is not on it- the inference must therefore be, that he joined on the Arkansas, or if on Red River he never reported

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himself

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.
Jas R. Stephenson
Capt. U. S. Army
(Disby. Agt. Creeks)

Emigrantion of Indians
Com. Genl. of Subs.
Washington.

Copy 1

Head Quarters, Army of the South,
Tuskegee, Ala, August 8th 1836

Sir,

Since my letter to you of the 31st ultimo, I have received the inclosed instructions by which you will perceive that the Choctaws to be removed are those within the State of Mississippi - You will accordingly confine your measures to those only Whome you may find within the State -

The Indians, I am informed, will probably be dispersed over the Country in the course of a fortnight engaged in picking Cotton - It is not probable therefore, that any considerable body of them can be collected during the Cotton harvest - It is desirable, however, that arrangements be made with as little delay as possible to ascertain their disposition and inclination as to emigration - You will take the necessary measures through the proper agents to obtain the information desired: and in the mean time you are authorized to arrange your accounts for settlement - after which you will repair to the State of Mississippi, and enter upon the duties assigned you, and carry into the execution of them all your accustomed energy -

Report to General Gibson in order that if the Instructions which I have given to you,

(over)

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if not approved by him, may be countermanded

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obt Svt
(signed) Thos. L. Leseur
Major General
Com'g Agency of the South

Captain J. F. Taylor
Superintendant of Choctaw Emigration
Montgomery
Alabama

Emig. Choctaws 96

Capt. J. P. Taylor
Louisville Ky.
16 Oct. 1836

Acknowledges letter
of the 3d Oct. States
the cause of his delay
at L. and that he will
in few days start for the
Choctaw country. Encloses
letter to him from Genl
Jesup

24 Oct

Rec'd 24 Oct

Louisville, Kty, 16th Octr 1836

General,

I have received yours of the 3d instant and noted the contents.

I have been delayed here longer than I could have wished in consequence of a violent attack of inflammation in the eyes which, for a time, rendered me unable to write and delayed my making up my accounts for expenditures on acct of the Indn Department. I shall be enabled to have them for the Choctaws in a few days, and will push the emigration to the utmost of my power.

I send you, herewith, a copy of the last letter rec'd from General Jesup relating to the removal of the Choctaw Indians, and I learn from numerous persons residing in the State of Mississippi that the General was correct in regard to the Indians being greatly scattered during the Cotton harvest.

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
I. F. Taylor
Capt. Topog. Engrs

General Geo Gibson
C. G. Subs.

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Memo. of disbursements
by Capt. J. P. Taylor
on Lt. Em. Choctaws
in Nov. 1836

Mems of Disbursements made by Capt. J. P. Taylor Sup.t Choctaw Emigration from 5th Aug.t to 11th Nov.r 1836.

1836

Aug.t 10th By am.t of Requisition No. 7362 on the Treasury Rec.d from Gen.l Jesup. $5,000=00

Nov.r 11th To am.t turned over to Capt. J. A. Phillips 5.000.00

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1833 CREEK (EMIGRATION) CAPT.JACOB.BROWN DISB.AGENT (RTL TO CHILLY MCINTOSH PARTY & SUBSISTENCE.AGENT REQUIRED,ETC)

Rec'd 4 Oct

Little Rock A. T.
Sept 12. 1833

Sir

Two drafts made by Chilly McIntosh & accompanied by accounts have been presented for payment, a copy of Mr. McIntosh's letter to me with the instructions therein referred to are here with, The instructions which Mr McIntosh relies upon as authority for me to pay the accounts has no reference to me nor any other Disbursing Agent for the Removal of Indians, The holders of the drafts & accounts were much disappointed in not getting their money but not having received any instructions from you in relation to such disbursements I could not feel that I should be justified in making the payments, will you be pleased to inform me whether my duties extend to Disbursing the expences of the Removal of the creeks or any other Bands of Indians not already mentioned in instructions, that may be emigrating West and shall find it convenient to apply to this office for the settlement of accounts appertaining to such movements. the addition of such duties should they be deemed necessary will not in the least be considered by

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are as a burthen to the duties already in hand
they will be performed with cheerfulness.—
Mc Intosh's letter shows what the
accounts are for—

I have the honor to be
Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

J J Brown Capt U.S.A.
Mr Dist Qr Mast Genl

Genl. Geo. Gibson
Asst. Genl of Subsistence
Washington City

Comg 219 Creeks
Capt. J. Brown
L. R. Dec. 21st 1833

Notice of the Deposite of
$2000 applicable to —
the Removal of Creeks
has been Rec.d

Rec.d 15 Jany

Little Rock. A. T.
Dec. 21st. 1833.

Sir:

I arrived at this place last evening (having been absent to New-Orleans for Funds.) and have to acknowledge the receipt of your Communications dated the 6th. and 8th. ultimo, with copies of letters as therein referred to.

The notice of Deposit of $2.000. applicable to expenditures in the Removal of the Creek Indians has been received.

I have the honor to be,
very Respectfully.
Your Obt. Servt.
J Brown Capt 4.A.I.
Dy Dis Agt and Supt,

Genl. Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs
Washington. D.C.

Emig 221 Creeks
Capt. J. Brown
L. Rock 27 Dec. 1833

Enclosing letter from
~~Lt~~ Van Horn.
Advising that Lieut
VanHorn or some one else
be sent to the Creek Coun=
try.

Inclosure

Rec'd 22 Jany

Little Rock. A. T.
Dec. 27th 1833.

Sir:

I enclose herewith copy of Letter from Lt. Van Horn, and have to observe, that if any considerable Emigration of the Creeks is expected soon to take place, I would recommend that Lieut. Van Horn, or some other attentive and businesslike Officer, be ordered to the New Creek Country, to take charge of the subsistence and other duties connected with such emigration. It is important, I conceive, that some one should be there at an early period, in order to prepare a system of procedure in the duties, to open Books, and make & preserve such data and memoranda, from the commencement, as will insure the Government as well as all concerned, a just and correct expenditure of the Government Funds. The result of placing the Subsistence duties in charge of local Agents has been productive of much inaccuracy, by which it is not unusual that the pecuniary interest of Government suffers.

It appears from Lt. Van Horn's letter, that the few Creeks that have already emigrated, are very irregularly subsisted. The small Emigration of Choctaws, and Especially to the Arkansas District, will leave but a slim duty to be performed, after February next. Lieut. Mains, with a Commissary & a clerk, will be sufficient for the duties;—and in this, the employment of a Commissary will not be needed after the first of April next.

Very respectfully,
I have the honor to be,
Your Obt. Servt.

Genl Geo. Gibson,
Comy. Genl. of Subs.
Washington. D.C.

J Brown Capt with
Br Gen Agt Ind Affrs.

Duplicate

Chilly McIntosh

Acct. $1447.50

Removal to Creek Country

Misn. in 1833.

allowed by Surgeon

Sept 20. 1834

(Supplies to Surgeon)

Cld. N.B

The United States

To Chilly McIntosh Dr.

1833

For emigrating and furnishing rations for 60 Creek indians - from the east to the western Creek nation at $20. a head	$1200.00
For my services as Emigrating Agent from the 11th March to the 26th August at $1½ dollars per day —	247.50
	$1447.50

The above service was performed by order of the War Department as per letter herewith

Chilly McIntosh

Received Washington April 26th 1834 fourteen hundred & forty seven dollars $\frac{50}{100}$, per requisition on the treasury, in full of above account.

$1447.50

Chilly McIntosh

Duplicate

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Indian Dept
Genl C. McIntosh

For removal of Creek Indians
— 1835 —

Recd from the Bureau
Apl 24. 1834

Cr. W.B.

United States Indian Department

To Charley McIntosh Dr

	For Encouraging and furnishing rations for sixty Creek Indians Emigrating from the East to the Western Creek Nation . . at $20 per Head	$1200-00
6.	For furnishing 42 Creek Indians who in Camp Above Indians deserted after being supplied with rations . D	$ 168.00
	For my services as Emigrating Agent from the 14 March to the 26 Augt to be allowed by the Department. - - - - -	$

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(Copy)

Rec'd 12 Sept 1833

Western Creek Nation Sept 4th, 1833.

Sir.

I herewith inclose to you a copy of my Instructions from the Depart of War - & have drawn on you for three hundred & one Dollars & seventy five cents in favor of Washington Wally.. & one in favor of John B Harvey for three hundred seventeen Dollars & fifty cents for services for their teams in removing the emegrants from the old Creek nation to the Creek Nation West of the Mississippi as you will see as per accounts inclosed, which drafts I wish you to pay

Very Respectfully
your ob't Sert
Chilly McIntosh
Agt Emigrating Creeks

Capt S. Browne U.S.A
Princapal Disbg Agt Indian
Rend. Little Rock.
Arkansas Territory

(Copy.)

Rec'd 26 Dec. 1833

Fort Gibson, 18th Dec. 1833.

Sir:

I have called upon Gen. Campbell Agent for the Creeks, for the Muster Rolls, &c. agreeably to instructions received from the Commissary General, but have not yet received them. Gen. Campbell informs me that the party referred to (brought out by Chilly McIntosh last Spring,) as well as those who arrived subsequently, have not been subsisted agreeably to Treaty stipulations. He says that he has more than once called the attention of the Department to the subject, and desired that some one might be sent to subsist them. Chilly McIntosh has been attempting to subsist them. This, however, is an irregular proceeding, liable to produce difficulty. The Indian Commissioners, Messrs: Stokes and Ellsworth, have also assured me of the want of a Disbursing Agent for the Creeks, and have offered to recommend me for this purpose. So, also, has Gen. Campbell. As but few Choctaws have emigrated this season, it seems probable that my services among them may be dispensed with; and that the interests of the Deptt. will be better promoted by my being employed to subsist these parties of Creeks, and those that may occasionally arrive. I should be much gratified by being assigned to this duty, if consistent with the views of the Commissary General. Please inform me as early as convenient whether such an arrangement can be made.

Very Respectfully,

Sir,

Your obt. Servt.

(signed) J. Van Horne, 1st Lt 3d Infy
Dist'g. Agt. Ind. Rem.

Capt J. Brown,
Asst. Dist'g Agt. I. R.

Rec'd Feb 13th 1833

Department of War
Office Indian Affairs
Feby 11th 1833

Sir

your letter of the 28th ult. addressed to the Secretary of War has been handed over to this Office to be answered.

It is highly gratifying that the differences which have for a long time existed between the Western & Eastern tribes, have been amicably settled, Their union in the Country allotted to them West of the Mississippi would be the happiest incident as respects the Welfare of the nation, which Can ever take place and it is believed that the time is not far distant when the most prejudiced among them will acknowledge with gladness the Truth of the observation.

It is surely superfluous to ask the Secretary of War to promise what the Treaty has stipulated shall be done all its treaty obligations will be scrupulously discharged by the Government. The Reservations Cannot be sold until they Can be located.

This however need not delay the removal of the tribes They Can appoint an Agent to sell their Reservations and remit to them the proceeds of sale. In the selection of an Agent they should be Careful and appoint one of integrity and property

The president is soliciting that a fair price should be given for the lands, and that the money

should

be paid to the owners, this approval will be with the only to preserve the Indians from being imposed upon and defrauded

If you can prevail upon a number of the tribe to remove to the West and will conduct them there a fair Compensation will be given you for such services

I am Sir
With great respect
your humble Servt
Elbert Herring

Copy

Wm Phillip McIntosh
Creek Agency
Alabama

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1833	CREEK (EMIGRATION)	ELBERT HERRING COMR.		(ORDER APPOINTING JOHN CAMPBELL AGENT. REL TO CLAIM OF MC INTOSH ETC)

Emig 16 Creek

Elbert - Herring

Washington

30th Oct 1833

Enclosing an extract of
a Letter from Genl Comp.
bell agt for Creek, West

Department of War
Office Indian Affairs
October 20. 1833

Sir. (Rec'd the Sec'y of War?)

I am instructed to refer to you the annexed extract of a letter from Dew. Campbell, Agent for the Creeks west, & to communicate to you his direction, that your Agent in that quarter obtain from Dew. C. a roll of the emigrants of McIntosh's party, & supply them with provisions, as in other cases.

I am Sir
very respectfully
Your obt Sert
Robert Harring
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Dew.
George Gibson
Commy General &c

Note - I saw the Sec'y of War. His decision will be found in letter to Capt Brown & Gov Carroll of this day - Nov. 6. 1833 Wm. C. Easton Clerk Ind Affairs

"Genl. Chilly McIntosh a few days since reported a
" party of emigrants consisting of sixty persons, part of which was
" brought in last spring by Benjamin Hawkins, and the rest amount-
" -ing to upwards of forty was brought on by Genl McIntosh, and
" as I have had no instructions as to what manner the years
" provisions are to be supplied I am completely at a loss how to
" proceed. I understand there will be a great many come on this
" fall on their own account and they are all anxious to draw
" provisions so soon as they arrive."

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Emis 17 Creeks

E. Herring

War Dept. Office
Ind. Affrs: 2d
Nov. 1833

Relative to the claim
of Mr. McIntosh for
removing Creeks

Department of War
Office Indian Affairs
November 2d 1833.

Sir

In answer to the enquiry in your letter of 30 Ulto. whether your Agents are to settle with C. McIntosh for the expenses of removing the Creek Indians". — I am instructed to say, that you will direct your disbursing Officer to pay McIntosh or his order twenty dollars a piece for all the Creek Indians conducted by him at his own expense from the East to the West of the Mississippi. — The total number to be ascertained by a Roll or Register of the names of those who have thus removed, and to be verified in such manner as your disbursing Agent may require.

The Compensation to be made to McIntosh for his personal trouble, in conducting them to their Western home, will be adjusted in this office on his application.

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Elbert Herring

General Geory Gibson
Com'y Gen'l Subsistance

1853 CREEK (EMIGRATION) LT.J.VAN HORNE DISB.AGENT (WITH MUSTER ROLL #3 OF CHILLY MC INTOSH PARTY OF EMIGRANTS,ETC)

Copy

Sir

Fort Gibson 25 Dec. 1832

Agreeably to instructions received from Gen. Gibson, Commissary Gen.
of Subsistence, I enclose a muster-roll of the Creek indians who emigrated
to this new country on the Verdigris river, under the direction of Philip
McIntosh including the nineteen slaves "brought in last spring" by
Benj.n. Hawkins. These nineteen slaves brought by Hawkins, were a
part of the McIntosh party. Benj.n Hawkins has no claim for the
expenses incident to the removal of these nineteen, nor any other.

I also enclose a muster-roll of those Creeks who have
emigrated subsequently to the McIntosh party, and up to the present time;
and who were not connected with McIntosh in the emigration.

In order to pay these individual indians, I would suggest that
the Disbursing Agent for the Creeks, or some other one in this neighbourhood,
be supplied with funds, or authorized to draw for such sums as
may be necessary for that purpose. Should the Disbursing Agent
repair to the spot, then pay these indians, and take their receipt,
the opportunity for speculation would be prevented.

Very respectfully Sir
Your Obt. Servt.
Jno. Ft. Gibson Dy. Asst. Q. M.

Capt. J. Bacon &c. &c.
C. D. Q. M. G. O. W.

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Army - Ft. Creek

Letter

Lt. Vanhorn

Ft. Gibson 25th Dec. 183

Sends a copy of a letter
to Capt. Brown and
also a muster roll called
for on 8th Nov.

2 inclosures

Rec'd 4 July 1834

Fort Gibson, 15 Dec. 1833

Sir

I have the honour to enclose the copy of a letter to Capt. L. Brown Rifr. Dr. Dgt. L. Rem. with the accompanying muster-rolls called for by yours of 5th November.

Very respectfully Sir

Your Obt. Humble Servt

J. Van Horne 2d Lieut 3d Inf
U.S. Dr. Dgt. L. Rem.

Gen. Geo. Gibson
Com. Gen. Subsistence

A Muster Roll of Emigrants brought to the Creek Country West of the Mississippi & Arkansas by Lieut Chilly McIntosh & Benj Grayson

Heads of Families	Males over 16 years	Females over 16 years	Males under 16 years	Females under 16 years	Slaves	Total
Sally Harrod	"	3	3	"	20	26
Mac-se-Harjo	1	2	4	"	"	7
Imoy Harjo	1	2	"	1	"	4
Yeete Chee	1	1	"	1	"	3
Nannar-chee-chee	1	1	"	"	"	2
Tap-ler	1	"	"	"	"	1
Chistla	1	1	1	"	"	3
Nitee	1	"	"	1	"	2
Scholar-Texico	1	"	"	"	"	1
Billy Williams	1	"	"	"	"	1
Tuska-lah	1	1	1	"	"	3
[illegible]	1	1	1	"	"	3
[illegible] Texico	1	2	"	"	"	3
Billy Grayson, Black Boy	"	"	"	"	1	2
Totals	12	14	10	3	21	60

I Certify that the foregoing Muster Roll, embraces the party of Creeks Emigrated by Lieut Chilly M. Intosh to their Country West of the Mississippi, the Last of August 1833 - Signed Duplicate

Western Creek Agency 25th Dec. 1833 -

J. H. Campbell
Agent Creeks

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